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Michael Bloomberg threatens to resign

BY JACK FITZHENRY
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Johns Hopkins Alumnus Michael Bloomberg, in a letter to President William Brody and the Board of Trustees, bitterly attacked and threatened to "cut all ties with the university." The letter comes as a direct result of a private meeting last week between Brody and Bloomberg, in which Bloomberg was informed that the University denied his request to change the Arts & Sciences' school name to the Michael Bloomberg School of Arts & Sciences.

In the letter, obtained by the *News-Letter* midweek, Bloomberg threatened to resign his position on the Board of Trustees and vow never to "set foot on campus again." He also threatened to stop the payments on pledges of over \$60 million, which he



Michael Bloomberg

is currently paying to the university in \$20 million annual installments.

Vice President of Business Affairs William Showalter said Bloomberg's threat "would be a major blow to the university, and may have devastating effects on the university's future."

"I've never seen anything like this

before," commented Ross Jones, executive assistant to President Brody. "Michael's leadership and dedication to the university would be missed, to an extent, but overall, we feel that we are the true winners in this situation."

Should Bloomberg resign, changes on campus will be noticeable as soon as April 14, according to Jones. The Bloomberg Center for Physics and Astronomy, built in 1990, will be renamed the Reuters Physics and Astronomy Building, after a competing news and information service which has offered the school \$10 million. Additionally, Bloomberg would be denied all helicopter landing privileges on the Garland field; his membership to the Hopkins Club could also be revoked as well. The Bloomberg information terminal in the library, however, will remain, at

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Security to issue speeding tickets

Increased enforcement, triple-digit fines

BY D'WARD HEMPSTER
Newsletter Staff

Campus police will begin issuing moving violation and speeding tickets on-campus starting Monday, April 6. Baltimore police have also agreed to periodically operate speed traps on the 25-mph zoned San Martin Drive, the windy road behind the campus where three joggers were hit last year.

The security department says the increased enforcement is its response to the 22 percent increase in minor traffic accidents and injured pedestrians during the Fall semester of 1997. Dean Larry Benedict approved the new policy, officially suggested by Hopkins Security Department, after an open discussion with victims of traffic accidents. He denied that a lawsuit pending against the school that alleges negligence in traffic enforcement has anything to do with the new policy.

A new campus organization, the Frightened Assemblage of Students for Safe but Speedy Transit, or FASSST, plans to protest the policy both passively and actively. FASSST Founder junior Jon Fuld told the *News-Letter*, "We thought about buying boots of our own, which we'd place on-campus security vehicles to keep them from pursuing us, but then we figured rubber cement is probably enough to keep those Suzukis in place—and cheaper, too!"

Freshman Mary Engel, who was struck by a speeding Buick Le Sabre last November, explained, "I'm thrilled they're stepping up enforcement, although the deranged grampa who hit me probably shouldn't have been driving at all."

The cost of speeding tickets will be \$30 plus \$10 per mile an hour over the campus limit of 15 mph. For instance, a driver clocked at 30 mph would receive a \$180 ticket. A source in the security department who asked to remain anonymous suggested that drivers traveling slower than 20 mph should not be too concerned about receiving tickets. Security has also increased the fine for failure to stop at a stop sign to \$80. Parking ticket fines are unaffected.

Officer Tom Black says Hopkins has already purchased two Beltronics AX-1 Laser guns for \$1,300 a piece. Laser guns work similarly to Radar guns, but are more precise, less detectable, and don't spray pedestrians with potentially hazardous x-rays. Black expects the enforcement effort to be cash-positive by May 1.

Although unconstitutional if done by police, security will mail tickets to the registered owner of a vehicle that fails to stop when requested. Black, who will head the new moving violations bureau at the security department, said, "Hopkins is a private organization, so we can't pursue students on the streets of Baltimore, but by the same token, we don't have to follow due process, so we can copy down plate numbers and mail out tickets." Students with outstanding tickets will not be eligible for graduation and cars recorded as having fled security vehicles will be booted and their owners will be assessed an additional \$100 penalty.

Hopkins demotes men's lax

Basketball goes D-I and joins Big East

BY KURT RAMBIS
Newsletter Staff

At a press conference Monday, Athletic Director Thomas Calder announced that, after several seasons without a championship, the once dominant Johns Hopkins men's lacrosse team will be gradually downgraded from Division I to Division III.

In their place, the Johns Hopkins women's basketball team will be phased into Division I over the next three years, eventually joining the Big East conference.

This decision does not affect the university's plans for the women's lacrosse team to join Division I next year.

Calder cited declining attendance and a simultaneous realization that a lot more students are interested in basketball than lacrosse as the reasons for this realignment.

"I think this is terrific news. Our women played real hard this year and I think they earned this honor. Anyone who saw [co-captains] Julie [Anderson] and Angie [Arnold] play will tell you that they could have competed at the D-I level. [University of Tennessee star] Chamique Holdsclaw has nothing on them. I'm sorry that they didn't get the chance to prove it," said women's basketball coach Nancy Blank.

When asked for a comment, men's lacrosse coach Tony Seamen only offered, "What do you expect? I'm pissed."

Female admissions increases 40 percent

BY WILLIAM JEFFERSON
Jews-Letter Staff

Dean of Admissions Paul T. White announced Wednesday that admission of females for next year's freshman class will increase by 40 percent.

According to White, the dramatic increase in female acceptances was not an intentional move on the part of the Admissions committee. "We evaluated each application without regard to gender," White said. "The Class of 2002 will include many of the nation's brightest young women."

Hopkins became coeducational in

1970, and females have clearly been in the minority since then. This inflow of women will help to even out the numbers. Jonathan Goldstein, president of the Women's Studies Honor Society, issued a press release in which he stated, "I'm very optimistic about the news. I'm looking forward to meeting some of the women."

Many students responded enthusiastically to the announcement. One member of the Mu Epsilon Nu Literary Fraternity commented, "Next year's 'Freshman Fuck Night' should be a lot more fun than it has been in

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If you thought Adam Sandler packed Shriver, just wait 'til Spring Fair.

MmmHOP! Hanson to play Spring Fair

BY BAXTER E. TIBOISE
Newsletter Staff

Spring Fair Co-Chairs Jessie Crain and Bill Northington announced that, after months of negotiations, teen pop sensations Hanson will be the featured band of this year's Spring Fair. The event is co-sponsored by the Hopkins Organization for Programming (HOP), the group responsible for bringing such notable acts as Adam Sandler and De La Soul to the Homewood Campus this year.

The exact time and date of the show will not be announced until a date closer to Spring Fair, for contractual reasons.

"We're really excited to have such 'name' musicians perform at Hopkins," said Crain.

When asked how much it cost to book them, Crain replied "They were expensive, but we think they're worth it."

"[Hanson] is one of the most popular groups out there," said Northington. "Shriver's gonna be packed. You don't have to be a Neu-

rosience major to figure that out."

The majority of Hanson's fans are decidedly younger than college students, but HOP President Rajiv Arapurakal doesn't think this will be a problem. "Admitting you listen to Hanson may not be the 'cool' thing to do, but I think that, when the chips are down, Hopkins students will show their true colors. I have their CD and I'm damn proud."

"They are multiplatinum recording artists, so they obviously have no shortage of fans," said Crain. "Plus, they're from the Midwest, like me."

"Hanson wasn't given a Grammy nomination [Best New Artist] for nothing. They're obviously a talented act," said HOP Music Chair Tamara Rosado.

Reaction among the student body was mixed and many were afraid that the show would be a dud. "At least we have a band this year," said one senior.

"Whatever, man. It's Spring Fair. I guarantee you people are gonna get drunk and go see them," assured HOP board member Sameer Kapasi. "Oh yeah—and, uh, Yakka Shakka!"

\$4,000 sofa stolen from MSEL

Newsletter Staff

On Monday, two men carrying a sofa walked out the M-level exit of the MSE Library. The library security officer who was on duty at the front desk had momentarily "dozed off," said one library official who chose to remain anonymous. According to the official, there has been a rise in sleepy security officers since January, when officers were relieved of their main duty—to check the content of patrons' backpacks and sacks for stolen

property.

The magnetic sensors, apparently a second line of defense, did not sense the exiting sofa. "To prevent further theft," reports the library official, "magnetic strips will be secured to every book and mouse pad, every nail and every sofa in the library. This will surely do the trick."

The said sofa was recovered early Tuesday morning on the Beach in front of the library. Students who were drinking beer on the Beach late Monday night found the sofa to be an

alternative to the wall they usually sit on. One senior, who claims to be regular at the Beach over the past four years said he'd been waiting "forever" for a soft, comfortable place to sit on the Beach.

However, said one underage student present on Monday night, the sofa "was mainly used for hooking up on. Everyone was so wasted that it didn't matter that tons of people were watching."

Said one sophomore, "Actually, it

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kiss and tell

Andrew, 17
"A bad kiss is when the girl, like, keeps the same intensity throughout the kiss. A good kiss is when it starts off slowly and then gets more involved. My own technique is—and I guess it depends on the girl—basically kissing one lip. A bad kiss is when a girl's hair gets in your face and gets in your mouth, 'cause then you're trying to get it out and you can't and the girl has to get it out for you, and your teeth hit... I'd say if you're going to kiss someone, make sure you mean it. It's okay to kiss a girl you don't know, but don't pretend it's anything real."

Win a Date with Studly Pike Prez Andrew Brent!!!

Answer this week's Teen Idol Quiz on Page C12, and you could win a date with Pi Kappa Alpha President Andrew Brent. At left is our aspiring Leonardo DiCaprio as he appeared in DeDe Lahman's way cool article in the November 1994 issue of *Seventeen* Magazine. OK, he's no Kirk Cameron but, like, who is?

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NEWS

High school students to serve as T.A.s

Student Council approves measure in unanimous vote

BY JENNA-SARAH PAMELA
Newsletter Staff

At last night's meeting, the Student Council voted to begin using high school students as teaching assistants in various academic departments at Johns Hopkins. Though many department chairpersons have expressed their enthusiasm for the decision, so far only the Computer Science Department has announced that they will definitely use the students as teaching assistants. In the past few months, the use of undergraduate teaching assistants has created concern and discontent on the part of many students.

While graduate level teaching assistants will still retain many department jobs, all undergraduates currently working in these positions will be removed. The measure, which was proposed by VPA Parag Parekh and Representative Ron Mendelow, did not receive any opposition from Council members.

"Our aim is to eliminate any type of favoritism that students complain of when undergrads are used as T.A.s," said Parekh. Many Hopkins students feel that undergraduate teaching assistants often show favoritism towards their friends. Students have been pushing for changes in teaching assistant requirements after this issue was brought to light in a scathing expose in the *News-Letter*.

"By employing high school stu-

dents as teaching assistants, we will solve the issue of favoritism. High school kids, like graduate students, have no incentives to give friends better grades in a course because they don't have any on campus," Mendelow said.

The prospective T.A.s will be chosen from Baltimore-area high schools. The students must apply for employment in a given department. The Academic Affairs Committee of Student Council will review all applications and eventually make the final decision on which students will be chosen for the positions. Those students who are offered jobs as teaching assistants will undergo a six-week crash course in the area they will be instructing.

Bob Mittendorf, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, said, "We hope to begin using the high school students this fall. The Committee has already contacted many area high schools to let them know of this opportunity and we should begin reviewing applications next month."

Class of 2000 President Zack Pack expressed his support for the long-awaited move by Council. "Finally there will people on campus who are shorter than me. I can't wait," said Pack.

"I think that high school students will make much better teaching assistants than undergraduates do. The ineptitude of undergraduate teach-

ing assistants has long been a problem that Council has wanted to deal with. I am very optimistic for this change and feel that now Hopkins students will finally see their tuition dollars going towards something useful," said Student Council President Matt Scherneck.

"Plus for the first time in his college career, Zack Pack won't be the shortest person on campus."

Dean of Students Susan Boswell said of the change: "This is the first useful thing that Council has done all year. I'm so thrilled that students here at Hopkins won't have to deal with incompetent teaching assistant anymore."

Boswell is the only administrator who commented on the decision.

Hopkins students seem pleased with the change as well. "I normally don't follow what Council does, but this is outstanding for Hopkins. I hope that there are more changes like this in the future," said sophomore Sarah Friedenthal.

"Speaking from personal experience, I can say that undergraduate teaching assistants do not accomplish anything. It's about time that something was done to fix this situation. I can't imagine anything worse than undergraduate T.A.s. High school students here on campus will be a nice breath of fresh air for Hopkins," sophomore Pamela Leich remarked.

Ross Jonesman leaves JHU for former USSR

Necessary tatoo fits well on head

BY DENISE O'SHEA
News-Letter Staff

Vice President and Secretary Ross Jones said Tuesday that the real reason why he is leaving Hopkins this year is to try to reorganize the former Soviet Union.

University President William Brody said he is pleased with Jones' decision.

"I think that this is the best thing Ross could have done for his career," Brody said. "I'm going to miss him. He used to give me the best back massages."

Hopkins has agreed to give Jones control of the Applied Physics Lab so that he will be able to help make nuclear weapons for the Soviets.

"I'm really looking forward to blowing up things," Jones said. "It

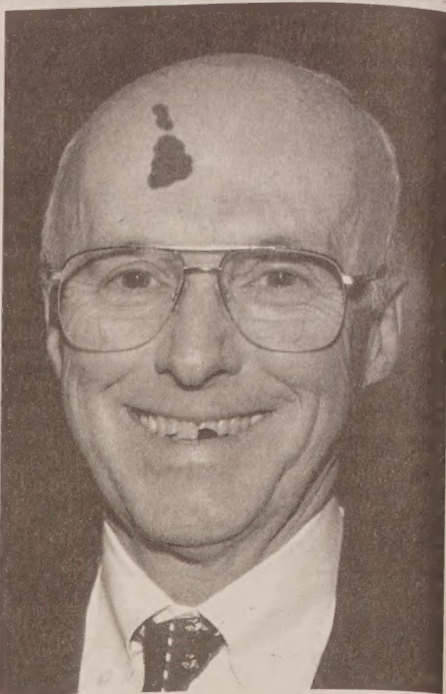
seems like fun, and since I won't be making as much money over there, I'm going to have to do something to amuse myself."

Jones said he plans to start another cold war with the United States.

"Perestroika, my ass," Jones shouted as he downed a shot of vodka at a press conference at the United Nations building in New York.

News-Letter sources at the National Security Agency were unphased by the news.

"From what we've heard, this guy has no clue as to what he's doing. He's just going to make them more confused and then the Soviets will never be a threat again," the source said.



Hop Cop's Suzuki gets "booted"

BY MARK COUTTS
Newsletter Staff

Hopkins security officer Dan Johnson was unable to respond to call concerning an altercation in the MSE Library Monday afternoon because the Suzuki Sidekick he was driving had been "booted" by the Baltimore City parking attendant.

Johnson had driven the jeep to Royal Farms, at the corner of St. Paul and 31st Streets, to buy an afternoon snack. When security asked for backup at the MSE, Johnson heard the call on his C.B., left his coffee and doughnuts on the counter, and ran back to his vehicle. Johnson entered the vehicle and was frustrated when the jeep did not move. In his haste, Johnson said, he failed to notice both the warning sign on the windshield and the large orange apparatus that locked his rear back tire.

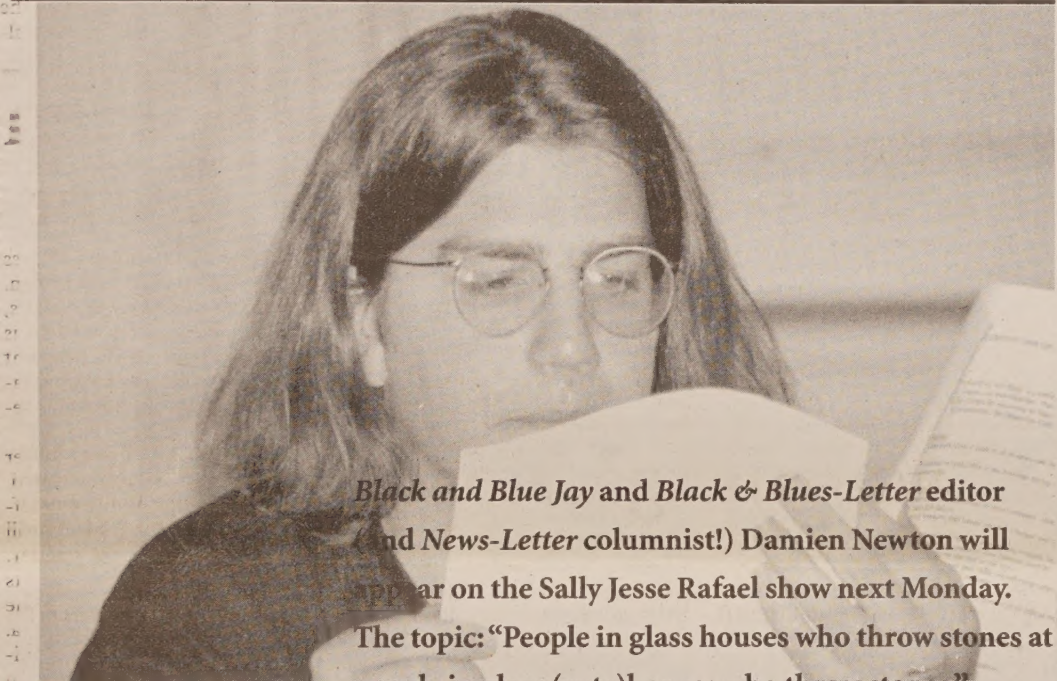
"What an obnoxious way to force me to pay my parking violations," Johnson said. According to the Baltimore City Parking Authority, Johnson had accrued 15 city parking tickets over the past four months. All 15 violations were due to expired 30 minute meters on 31st Street in front of Royal Farms. Records obtained by the *Newsletter* show Johnson owes over \$200 in fines.

Johnson said of the fines, "I was going to get around to it. They [city parking attendants] should have had

some faith in me."

Johnson is not only a university crime-stopper: On campus, he also writes up university parking tickets. Regarding the irony of the situation, Johnson asserted that "it was not the same thing."

University parking violations are serious. Students think they can park where they want, when they want. They think they can keep raking up the tickets and never be held responsible... We're doing it for the safety of our students."



Black and Blue Jay and Black & Blues-Letter editor

(and News-Letter columnist!) Damien Newton will

appear on the Sally Jesse Rafael show next Monday.

The topic: "People in glass houses who throw stones at people in glass (gate)houses who throw stones."

Homewood community crime report, 3/21-3/25

March 21
2:00 a.m. - 3600 Blk N. Calvert St. Unknown suspect approached victim and said, "Give me your money." Victim lost \$14.00 in U.S. currency, a pack of Marlboros, 2 postcards from her weekend trip to West Virginia, and a J-Card with 7 meal equivalencies on it.

4:20 a.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. 4 known suspects apprehended by patrol car for possession of marijuana behind Olin Hall. No charges pressed.

8:31 a.m. - 2900 Blk Maryland Ave. Unknown suspect stole 1988 blue Honda Prelude named Mabelleine reportedly belonging to *Newsletter* writer. Suspect was not apprehended, but owner of vehicle was last seen kicking over eight garbage cans, throwing a chemistry book into a Gilman window, and abusing a small chihuahua.

12:47 p.m. - 100 Blk E. 33rd St. Known suspect took \$49.81 of Hostess Twinkies from owner's establishment without paying. 1 arrest.

8:08 p.m. - 2200 Blk Greenmount Ave. Five men arrested for planning a large-scale drug deal at the Harbor. The Usual Suspects arrested; Keiser Soze escaped.

11:37 p.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. 2 JH students apprehended for illegal possession of alcohol on the Beach. 2 arrests.

March 22nd
1:31 a.m. - 3500 Blk St. Paul St. Police responded to noise complaints from elderly residents at Marylander apartment complex. No perpetrators found.

4:20 a.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. 4 students apprehended by patrol car behind Bloomberg Hall for possession of marijuana. No charges pressed.

7:14 a.m. - 2400 Blk N. Calvert St. Known suspect forcibly entered an apartment building, threatened residents with a cattle prod, barricaded himself on the top floor of the building and demanded a personal audience with Maryland representative Robert Ehrlichmann. Upon realizing there is no such person, suspect will-

ingly turned himself in. 1 arrest.

10:29 a.m. - 600 Blk W. 40th St. Unknown suspect threatened Blockbuster employee with a lacrosse stick, demanding refund for a tape that wasn't rewound when he brought it home. Suspect last seen fleeing east on Remington Ave.

1:15 p.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. Manager of bookstore apprehended for charging a student \$45.99 for a used economics workbook. Said manager was charged with violating Sherman antitrust laws and several other incidents of highway robbery.

4:33 p.m. - 500 Blk E. 36th St. Unknown suspect broke front drivers' window of patrol car, removed 2 bags of Dunkin' Donuts, and fled. Total value of losses: 14 chocolate covered donuts, 6 donuts with those colorful sprinkly things, 6 glazed donuts, and 3 ring dings.

March 23

2:11 a.m. - 3700 Blk Roland Ave. Suspect approached victim brandishing a silver gun, took items from said suspect valued at \$3700.00. Suspect then extended one finger upwards in a derogatory manner, stuck his tongue out at victim, and said "Sucker! The gun's a fake!" Suspect last seen running in the direction of the nearest 24 hour gas station.

4:20 a.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. 4 known suspects apprehended by patrol car behind Building A for illegal possession of marijuana. No arrests made.

9:47 a.m. - 800 Blk N. Charles St. Unknown running back from JHU football team killed his wife and her male companion, a waiter at a trendy restaurant. Suspect was last seen wearing a pair of curiously small Isotoner gloves running in the direction of Beverly Hills (presumably to find Robert Shapiro and Johnnie Cochrane) screaming "If the glove doesn't fit, you must acquit!"

11:53 p.m. - 3400 N. Charles St. 57 JH students apprehended for illegal possession of alcohol on the beach. 35 arrests made.

March 24th

4:20 a.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. 4 known suspects apprehended by patrol car behind President Brody's house for illegal possession of marijuana. No arrests made.

8:45 a.m. - 400 Blk Wyman Park Dr. Small brown gopher stole golf cart from Hopkins parking lot and screamed "Caddyshack lives!" Suspect was apprehended cruising south on Interstate 95 at 12 miles an hour. 1 arrest 9:25 a.m. - 2700 Blk St. Paul St. Unknown suspect, believed to be former State Department official, pushed victim to the ground and released a small organ-eating alien creature into victim's mouth. Victim died, but fear not, agents Scully and Mulder are on the case.

4:14 p.m. - 100 Blk E. 33rd St. Known suspect returned to Royal Farms upon his release from prison and attempted to steal \$43.01 worth of Hostess Twinkies. Suspect arrested by patrol officer on site. Suspect has been admitted to psychiatric care.

11:16 p.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. 187 known suspects seen illegally drinking alcohol on the Beach. 24 arrests made.

11:59 p.m. - 3200 Blk St. Paul St. Unknown suspect climbed onto parked Harley-Davidson. Broke sideview mirror as he pretended to rev the engine. Owner saw suspect on motorcycle, said "Nice pants." Removed said pants from suspect's legs and drove away. One pantless suspect arrested.

March 25th

4:20 a.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. 4 known suspects apprehended by patrol car for illegal possession of marijuana in that dark patch of trees

between the Beach and Krieger Hall. Has anyone actually read this far?

5:15 a.m. - 200 blk W. 34th St. Absolutely nothing happened here at this time.

5:17 a.m. - 200 Blk W. 34th St. However, had any policemen been here at 5:15, they would have witnessed one unknown suspect with a large kitchen knife threaten an elderly bicycle seat salesman from Winnemucca at 5:16. No arrests made.

10:37 a.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. Victims complain that unknown suspect broke into the organic chemistry lab and spit into their test tubes. No arrests made.

12:19 p.m. - 100 Blk Roland Ave. Unknown suspect broke side window of 1996 Kia MD tag EWH 388, and removed \$59 worth of Hanson memorabilia.

9:57 p.m. - 200 Blk W 40th St. Unknown suspect broke into victim's apartment and stole a large stuffed monkey. Suspect last seen running away from scene of crime with a monkey on his back.

11:41 p.m. - 3400 Blk N. Charles St. 979 suspects seen illegally drinking alcohol on the Beach. 1 arrest made.

March 26th

4:20 a.m. - After a series of undercover investigations, an illegal prostitution ring was found operating at the Mars Hotel, 3906 Canterbury Rd. Police seized over 20 Crack-whores and 40 crack pipes along with other illicit paraphernalia. A man who would only reveal himself as "Big Daddy Norton" was arraigned on charges early Thursday morning.

ERRATA

The following error appeared in the April 1, 1998 edition of *The Johns Hopkins News-Letter*:

None—we would never spell anything incorrectly, much less get our facts wrong.

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New administrator hired to oversee course evaluations

BY TOM FOOLERY
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Course evaluations have been a Hopkins ritual ever since 1948, when the first group of students who felt they had the right to a higher quality of instruction protested to make their complaints about professors, T.A.s and courses known. Today, the fifty years of course evaluations have built up to monstrous levels, and the university can no longer store them in

the warehouse in the lowest level of Remsen Hall.

Thus, plagued by attacks by alumni and students that the evaluations have no effect, and pressured by the Chemistry Department to make the room available for research, the university has hired an administrator to oversee the evaluation process.

Nicholas Borromeo, the newly appointed dean of Instructional Improvement, is a graduate of Columbia University.

Investigation uncovers drug abuse by escorts

Newsletter Staff

Baltimore City Police and Hopkins Security have spent the past week investigating the recent drug charges that have been brought against key members of Hopkins walking escort system.

Lt. George Kibbler, coordinator of the walking escorts, issued a formal statement of the circumstances surrounding the charges, and the actions being taken by the university. The document reads: On Tuesday, March 24, a routine cleaning of the escort lockers uncovered forms of drug paraphernalia hidden beneath those vests belonging to several student employees. These employees are all undergraduates of the university who have been working for security since the beginning of the academic year. All students involved have no prior record, and all are upstanding members of the Hopkins community. This is a serious situation, and the university is responding accordingly.

Paraphernalia found included a three foot bong, rolling papers and six pyrex bowls, as well as one ounce of really good "Kind Bud." The value was estimated at \$1200.

In response to further questioning, Kibbler elaborated on the extent of this situation which is quickly becoming known among those involved as "The case of the baked bodyguards." He explained that although some facts are still unknown, initial investigations show that the scandal

goes all the way up the escort-system hierarchy. Interviews with those students involved showed that the escort system has been serving as a cover for an elaborate drug ring. The dispatchers use a remote channel on the walkie-talkies to call in orders to the escorts.

Under the protection of the familiar orange vests, the escorts had free range of the campus, and were able to transport the drugs all over campus without arousing suspicion.

Also revealed in the interviews was positive proof of drug use by the escorts, themselves.

"That explains the bong," said Kibbler.

According to sources, the walking escorts had too much free time while on the job. They could easily go behind a building, and would not be missed for hours.

One presumably innocent escort who preferred to remain anonymous, said of his fellow workers, "They were always kind of out of it. Towards the end, they would come back from their shifts just smelling like smoke. They got careless. I guess that is why they got caught."

The walking escorts are student employees of the university. They work for the same security system that coordinates the on- and off-campus shuttle service.

Their unit is designed to ensure the safety of any university affiliate who wishes to walk anywhere on or around Homewood campus.

"Basically, my job is to prove to the JHU student population that its concerns are being read and considered. I read through all the course evaluations, starting with those from 1948, and place them in the proper [garbage] receptacle," said Borromeo.

Asked how many evaluations are waiting for his perusal, Borromeo responded, "I certainly haven't counted them all, but judging from the piles, I would hazard a guess that there are over 70,000."

Though it may seem an enormous task to sort through so many course evaluations, Borromeo remains undaunted, "reading all the evaluations will take the majority of my time, since disposing of them is rather quick and easy."

Several students questioned seemed pleased with the administration's decision to hire Borromeo.

"I am so glad that there's a bureaucracy in charge of the evaluations now," said junior Justin Gardiner, a biology major, "because I don't think anyone's even taken last semester's out of their envelopes. My linear algebra teacher last semester was awful, and next semester's course guide has him teaching an even more difficult class. What's up with that?"

Sophomore Andrea Allen agreed: "You tend to think that this school is against keeping professors who can't teach out of the classroom, which would be in the best interest of the students. Even when a whole class pans a teacher in an evaluation, nothing happens."

Not all students feel that course evaluations are ignored. Senior Writing Seminars major Maya Dave noted: "I am certain that someone high up in the university has been keeping a close eye on the Writing Seminars evaluations, at least. Over the past four years, I've complained extensively about several professors—Mark Strand, Mark Crispin Miller... and everyone I disliked is either gone or leaving this year. Coincidence? I think not."

Library furniture now on Beach

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it made for a really good show."

The sofa was marked with what looked like beer stains and other unidentified soils. The sofa will be professionally cleaned before it is brought back onto M-level, according to the library official.

Students will bare the brunt of the cost of cleaning, the official said, as overdue book fines will increase by 47 percent.

NIH approves grant for Marriott

BY DANNY HARDWERKER
Newsletter Staff

Following the Johns Hopkins tradition of publish or perish, when Marriott became the food provider on the Homewood Campus, they started their own research projects. After several promising experiments studying the effect of malnutrition on stress and depression, the National Institute of Health (NIH) has given a grant for 5.3 million dollars to help advance the Marriott projects.

The research has helped pioneer an entirely new direction for nutrition research. Most nutritional studies focused on the effect of supplements to diets or the effects of theoretically healthier diets. Any study on malnutrition required expensive and inaccurate field research. As the major food provider at Johns Hopkins, Marriott was given a stable pool of subjects, students who were required to buy dining hall meals for two years.

Marriott designed a diet to provide a standard lack of nutrition no matter how much a subject attempted to eat. They accomplished this by boiling, frying, or rotting naturally healthy foods to remove all vitamins. Spoiled food also insured that if a subject consumes too much in one sitting, most food would be expelled from the body. After several years of research, they have even managed to create inedible rice and pasta. All cheeses and meats have been replaced

by nutritionally void plastics which are similar in structure to edible styrofoam.

Even with the specialized diet, Marriott needed to accurately measure each subject's intake. Dining hours are short to keep meal times standard. Any non-consumed food is reserved for the next day. This conditions the subjects to eat the food rapidly or confront the same food options in following days. There have been no problems with people not in the study trying to consume the specially allocated food. If a subject wants to eat a meal at an alternate time, it must order specific food and provide identification so that exact quantities and times of consumption are recorded. Also, all food served in the dining halls can't be removed to prevent subjects from consuming food at irregular times. The meal prices are kept unnaturally high to insure that the already indebted subjects are unable to purchase a statistically significant amount of non-Marriott food.

Surprisingly, preliminary results have shown that malnutrition actually increases both stress and depression. Critics of the study say that too many other stress- and depression-causing factors were not controlled and these could have contaminated the results. The Marriott researchers counter this criticism by pointing to nutritional food services at similar universities where stress and depression are significantly less serious

problems.

Once the grant was publicly announced, the Kosher Dining Hall filed a formal complaint to the university. They insist that no study can be complete unless their diners are also accounted. They insist that not only do they provide nutritionally void foods, they have been serving it even before Marriott came to Johns Hopkins, and they revolutionized malnutrition research. They have accused the university of not recognizing the financial and economic support that they have contributed to this field. Representatives from Marriott gave no comment about this accusation.

The money from the grant, in addition to fees paid by students, will enable Marriott to conduct a longer and more detailed study. They are hiring two additional tenure track faculty members to help coordinate the research. The new researchers will try to eliminate remaining nutritional value. Some money will also help convince fast food stores not to open near the Homewood campus, a danger to control subject food consumption. The short term study has shown promising results, but was unable to prove that malnutrition is directly related to stress and depression. Marriott is petitioning the university to require four years of on-campus food consumption to increase the data collected on each student. Researcher must wait at least ten years until the data from the new study can be collected and analyzed.

Girls, girls, girls! More women to enroll at Hopkins next year

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the past." Other students had a much more reserved view. When informed of the news, chemical engineering major Tom Freelicks said, "Do we currently have women here? I haven't

noticed."

Professors had mixed reactions to the news. One Economics professor commented, "I haven't had a tryst with a student since the 70s. She was great, Becky... uh... Anyway, I'm ex-

cited." Other professors were less optimistic about the influx of women. According to unconfirmed rumors, the National Science Foundation is threatening to withdraw grant money, fearing that women are incapable of conducting scientific research.

The number of female transfer students accepted has also increased.

According to the Admissions Office, over 150 female students will transfer to Hopkins next semester. About three dozen female students will be coming to Hopkins from the University of Southern California. Hopkins will also receive approximately twenty female students from the University of Arizona and Florida State University.

In an interview, White denied altering his recruiting efforts, however *The News-Letter* has launched an independent investigation into the situation. An anonymous source within the admissions office confirms reserving the honeymoon suite for a member of the admissions committee during a recent recruiting trip to Hawaii.

Writing Sems shuts down

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department, only three full-time tenured professors remained—McGarry, John Irwin and Stephen Dixon.

"I never thought that it would come down to this," Dixon said. "I had hoped that the university would have worked out some kind of an agreement. I don't understand how you can have a top-notch university that doesn't have a writing department."

Writing Seminars Instructor Tristan Davies added, "It's like something out of Aristotle's *Poetics*. It took me ten years to get a decent office around here and now I have to pack up and move all over again."

Provost Steven Knapp, who is the university's chief academic officer, said the closing of the Writing Semi-

nars was a routine procedure.

"Every once in a while we have to cut back here and there," Knapp said.

When asked why the university failed to provide the funds the department requested, Knapp said he didn't know.

"I wasn't really involved with that," Knapp said.

The money that the university will save by shutting down the Writing Seminars department will be used to help pay Knapp's salary, he said.

"Ross Jones and I weren't content with all the money we made last year," Knapp said. "We thought it was about time that we got a pay raise. Some people say that we got a little greedy, but if you ever had to sit in the uncomfortable swivel chair that I have to sit in all day you'd know why we deserve all that money."

Thanks for the memories. You were the best ride ever!



Copy editors missing and missed

Eyewitness reports suggest alien abduction

Newslettter Staff

This morning, FBI agents and Hop cops searched the grounds around the News-Letters' Art Museum Drive headquarters, commonly known as the Gatehouse, probing for clues to the unexplained disappearance of the papers two copy editors late Wednesday night, March 31st.

Newsletter staff members recall seeing junior Pilar Oberwetterman nad sophomore Juliet Rissner leave the building at 11:45P.M. Allegedly, both editors had allegedly become verbally aggressive and allegedly threatened violence after realizing that neither the news or the sports sections had been even half finished by 11:30pm. Their hostile behavior prompted News-Letter Editor-in-Chief Steinke to make a call to Hopkins Security, requesting their assistance.

Features editor Alan Massie, who had finished his section earlier, was wounded, allegedly by one of the disgruntled copy editors, before the cops could arrive on the scene.

Later, it was determined that his wound, a paper cut, was caused in an unrelated incident.

"I still thing Pilar's guilty," stated Massy this morning.

By the time Officers Barbrady and _____ (fill in name :)) arrived on the scene, tempers had quelled, and they agreed to leave the premises peacefully. The two officers returned, however, once they noticed that their

was free Chinese food inside. One officer placed a call to the Hopkins Security Shuttle, requesting a van to take Oberwetterman and Rissner home; the dispatcher, who wished to remain nameless, estimated the van's arrival time at 10 to fifteen minutes.

Authorities are still struggling to explain the events that occurred next.

According to the statements of Officers Barbrady and _____, as well as those of Steinke and Gianna Abruzzio, the other Editor-in-Chief, two bright lights allegedly made themselves visible from the windows of the Gatehouse ten minutes after the shuttle call. Believeing the lights to be the headlights of the Security van, the two copy editors exited the confines of the Gatehouse and walked towards the light.

According to Managing Editor Bryant P., who happened to be staring out the window at the time, "they walked right towards the light—about 25 steps from her—when the lights started flickering and they froze in mid-step and lights started flickering and they froze in mid-step #@]]]]..."

The other Managing Editor, Edward Fenster, could not be reached for comment.

According to the police report, Oberwetterman and Rissner disappeared "faster than a beer on the Beach on a Friday night in the middle of July when it's not raining and there aren't many mosquitoes and the sex is concensual and the drugs are plentiful and the university does not condone any of the above activities..."

"If only they hadn't run out to-

ward the lights," sobbed Abruzzio. "They should have known that it couldn't have been a Security shuttle if it came in only ten minutes."

Steinke also expressed his remorse at the loss of his staff members: "The front page probably has all kinds of visible mistakes that I won't notice? And who will know where the really big hyphen key is for the crime report.....This situation really is unacceptable!"

The real shuttle itself arrived forty minutes after the call came from the Gatehouse. After waiting 2 seconds, the constipated, overcaffeinated, and underpaid driver called in to the security headquarters demanding to know where his passengers were.

Managing Editor B. Park also expressed concern regarding the circumstances surrounding the abduction. "Why did the shuttle come in only 40 minutes to the Gatehouse? I told them at the beginning of the year and I reminded them again at the beginning of this semester semester—do NOT pick up Gatehouse people after midnight."

Further questioning brought Bryant Park to further explain. "It's always been the only way we could get the copy editors to stay. I feel kind of bad about the abduction. I hope Juliet and Pilar get away."

Public Relations expert Andy P told reporters taht "our readers do not need to be concerned for the future of the Newsletter. We will find replacements for Pilar and Juliet. I mean, we successfully found a News Editor in a moment of pressure, so a copy editor cannot be any more difficult."

CALENDAR

Friday • Kickball (3 p.m.)
Saturday • 8-Ball (7 p.m.)
Tuesday • River Raid (11 p.m.)
Wednesday • Hungry Hungry Hippos (2 a.m.)
Thursday • Beer Pong (3000 N. Calvert)

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FEATURES

Quake master joins Comp Sci dept.

BY YOUNG CHANG
News-Letter Staff

Quake master Philip Mitchell is wearing his "lucky helmet," a plastic army-printed hard hat, as he sits in his office. When Mitchell tilts his head even the slightest bit, I can no longer see his eyes. But then he'll look up, and when Mitchell looks up, a combative stoniness chills the room and you suddenly become aware that the office is wallpapered with guns. "It's not just a game, that's what people don't seem to understand," he says with a snarl. "It's a lifestyle."

Professor Philip Mitchell is Hopkins' newest faculty addition to the Computer Science Department, and his specialty is Quake, an interactive computer game that is reportedly the "greatest thing that has ever happened to computer game fanatics." With a Ph.D. in Quake from Cal

Tech and a Masters in Riflery from UC Berkeley, Mitchell is the resident U.S. expert in the art of this game, and over 200 students are currently registered in his courses, Intro. to Quake and Quake Theories.

Smiling a broad, proud smile, Mitchell insists that we stand and walk around the room. He has show-cased each of the seven gun types in elaborate gold-rimmed frames; in the corner of the room nearest the entrance, there is even a "quite magnificent" axe. "Sometimes I like to use the axe," he says, "because there's a strategy behind it all. I prefer it over the Rocket Launcher when I go after the dogs."

I ask if the targets are not only humans, but dogs. He turns abruptly to face me, and says with a startling aggressiveness, "They can be humans OR dogs."

Born in San Diego, California, Mitchell wasn't always a computer

guru. "In high school, it was basket-ball," he says, "but then I got to college and, man, did things change. I owe it all to Tim Krane, a buddy of mine at Tech—I played my first Quake round on his computer." Mitchell leans back as he says this and sighs. His expression is one of pure exhilaration even at the memory of his first encounter with Quake, and for a moment he appears lost in his reverie.

I clear my throat and ask if he could show me the game. He awakens from the daydream and apologizes. "What?" he asks, almost misty-eyed.

"Could you show me the game?" "Oh, of course," he says, "come around the desk."

But as we wait for the game to boot itself, Mitchell stands and stretches. He says he must "prepare himself" for the "battle," both mentally and physically. He pats his helmet firmly on his head, reminding me that this is his "lucky helmet," and cracks his knuckles as he takes his place before the mouse.

Mitchell al-

ways plays under the alias "Rambo." His costume color selection is always green, and as he maneuvers the mouse skillfully to dodge torpedoes and rivers of molten lava, I see a thin line of

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sweat form above his lip.

"Whew," he says of the most recent axe-murdering attack, "that was a close one." The sweat on his face, the fiery intensity of his eyes, all this indicates one thing:

Quake is a lifestyle for Mitchell. Leaning forward and crossing his arms as if to divulge a very important secret, he tilts his helmet so

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The Beach is open for business,

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All my life, I have been wait-ing for a story like this. People usually don't think of columnists as serious newspaper reporters. But here I am with the story of a lifetime, straight from the mouth of The Man himself: William R. Brody, the esteemed president of the Johns Hopkins University.

In a word, our days of sitting on the wall at the Beach and secretively sipping beer from cases hidden in the bushes are over. The Hop Cop Geo Trackers are going to be replaced by university sanctioned and supplied kegs.

The latest developments regarding Beach policy have come because of a sudden explosion of common sense: President Brody has realized that, once in a while, a drunken orgy is good for the soul.

"I've spent a lot of time thinking about this," Brody said over a few beers in an interview at the Nichols House. "What I've realized is that it's better to have everyone getting

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trashed on the Beach rather than wandering all over St. Paul and Charles Streets coming home from fraternity houses. The risk of someone getting hit by a car and the university having its ass sued off is just too great."

I asked Brody if this was really him talking or just the 12-pack of

Moosehead, but he reassured me that he meant what he said. For those of us who have only heard legends about the glory days of the Beach, the pros-

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pect of having it as a living, breathing, fully-functional organ of Hopkins social life is incredibly exciting.

Brody also said that he is determined to make life at the Beach better than ever. "This is a program I want everybody to get behind," he explained. "I think everyone will want to—students, professors and administrators."

The details of the program are already in place, and the new Beach policy will take effect this weekend. As you might expect, information about the project has been guarded like a top-secret military program.

"I haven't let anyone know specifically what I'm doing until now," Brody said. "But I think the students will be pleased. I hope this makes the students think that the administration is working for them."

The administration will cultivate a new student-friendly image under the new policy. "I want the university to pay for five good kegs every week for the students," Brody explained. "I think it's an important good will gesture on our part. We have tortured you for long enough with making you stand the heat of crowded fraternity houses. It's time that you enjoy beer in the great outdoors."

But don't problems arise because of the 21-year-old drinking age law? "Ah, that's no problem," Brody said with a laugh. "I drank in college, just like everyone else. The Baltimore police won't do anything to us, and we'll tighten the leash on campus security. Nobody is going to bust us because several other administrators and myself will be at the Beach at all times

serving as keg masters."

The university will also provide free cups to all students. "This is good policy," Brody added, "because that way we can have cups that are either reusable or biodegradable." And, as in past years, the Beach will be spotlessly cleaned up by the next morning, so the public will never know what a wild beer party occurred the night before.

Student reaction to the improved Beach policy has been mixed. "Shit, I

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don't know about this, man," one sophomore said. "I think it's just The Man trying to control us again."

"It's very interesting," another student added, "but I think Brody is blatantly disregarding the fact that hardly any students on campus need alcohol to have a good time."

One student expressed concern over the quality of the beer that will be served. "If they buy Natural Light, they're going to have a riot on their hands," he said. "But if they can stay with quality brews, I think this is something everyone can enjoy."

No matter what, though, you have to admit that Brody's open-minded stance on the Beach can only help our rating as 296th most fun school in the country.

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NAACP, students show their support for affirmative action

BY NICOLE D. PORTER
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On April 1, students, faculty and administrators met in the Glass Pavilion to show their support for affirmative action. The National Day of Student Action to Defend Affirmative Action was organized at college campuses across the United States as well at Johns Hopkins.

The supporters were part of a national effort that seeks to mobilize colleges and universities across the country to display support for affirmative action policies.

At Hopkins, support for the movement was organized by junior Salah Goss, Vice President of Political Action for the Johns Hopkins Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People [NAACP].

The NAACP sponsored the event along with the JHU Office of Multicultural Student Affairs [OMSA].

Among the speakers who voiced their support for affirmative action were Provost Steven Knapp, Director of JHU Admissions Paul White and President of JHU Student Council, Matt Scherneck.

"I wanted to participate in this event," stated Scherneck, "because for once, people at Hopkins want to broach the topic of affirmative action in public."

"This response comes at a critical time in the nation's history," stated Provost Knapp, "fewer than half of the blacks and Latinos have been admitted to the University of California System this year than last year. That is a dramatic decline."

Provost Knapp stated his belief that diversity is essential to higher education because it serves to insure that a university like Hopkins maintains a thriving community.

He added that it diversity is essential to democracy because a democracy cannot function with out equal representation from the various communities that comprise this nation.

"An attack on affirmative action," added Provost Knapp, "threatens to homogenize the quality of education, and seeks to divide community."

An important aspect of the days events ways to alleviate misconceptions concerning affirmative action policies.

"Affirmative action does not guarantee acceptance to institutions and it does not take away the spaces of white students in those universities either," said JHU Director of Admission Paul White.

White said that, "Affirmative action does guarantee that anyone who is qualified is given the opportunity to attend institutions like Hopkins."

"The only white people who are not accepted," stated White, "are those who are not qualified, but have access. Affirmative action insures equal opportunity, and that people are not excluded because they are the wrong color."

Dr. Ralph Johnson, Director of OMSA also spoke at the event in sup-

port of affirmative action policies.

According to Dr. Johnson, affirmative action has come under attack by well financed campaigns in recent years.

"We are here today," stated Dr. Johnson, "to say that affirmative action is supported by a number of people benefiting directly and indirectly from its policies. The erosion of affirmative action, is due to the idleness of those who support it, while in contrast those who oppose affirmative action are organizing strong campaigns against it."

"I hope that those here today, Dr. Johnson added, "will do something to stop the erosion of affirmative action so that people continue to have hope and access."

Students and other supporters from over 50 college campuses like Rutgers, UC-Berkley, Harvard and Johns Hopkins all hosted events on their campuses in support of affirmative action.

The mobilization of the various college campuses was done via the internet, using an email that encouraged student organizations to do something to show their support for affirmative action.

Activities ranged from college professors stating their support for affirmative action in their classes, to large rallies in support of the policy. The message for the day was to defend affirmative action and to insure that resegregating of higher education will never take place.

The action is in response to several recent measures that have virtually eliminated affirmative action policies in the states of California and Texas.

In California, due to Proposition 209, the number of black and Latino students admitted to universities for the 1998-1999 school year declined by 45 percent and 31 percent respectively.

The day of action was seen as the first real step in building both a new national student movement and a civil rights movement to defend affirmative action and to make real progress towards equality.

University students across the nation organized to take the lead in initiating a new fight for social justice and to build a movement that can address the fundamental inequalities threat give rise to the need for affirmative action.



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De La Soul entertained students with their brand of hip hop.

De La Soul rocks Shriver

BY JOE GROSSBERG
News-Letter Staff

Hip-hop trio De La Soul and up-and-coming rapper Enoli performed at Shriver Hall to a crowd of almost 200 on Tuesday night.

Local blues rock band The Kelly Bell Band was the opening act and De La Soul's Mase played hip-hop records before the headliners came on stage.

Attendance fell below the anticipated numbers, said HOP Music Co-

Chair Tamara Rosado, "We expected at least 600 [people]."

Rosado blamed the small crowd on difficulties coordinating the event with other schools and campus apathy.

"The lesson we learned is, to sell anything out here, you have to go [promoting] outside the campus," she said.

However, the small crowd lent an air of intimacy to the event and, by the time De La Soul began their act,

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Latest teaching awards to be doled out soon

Twenty professors
in A&S and
Engineering are
vying for \$5,000
prize

BY CAROLINE SHAW
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Every year, the Student Council recognizes outstanding teachers in the School of Arts and Sciences and the School of Engineering. Ten professors are selected from each school, based on the course evaluations written by undergraduates at the end of the spring and fall semesters. Each of the professors must have taught at Johns Hopkins for a minimum of three years. The professors go on to contend for one \$5000 award for each school, sponsored by the Alumni Association and the deans.

A committee, composed of Student Council members, Curriculum Committee members and a member of the faculty who has previously won a teaching award, will decide the winners. That decision will be announced

at Commencement in May.

In the Department of Biology, Victor Corcos is nominated for his Developmental Biology course. He obtained his BS in 1975 from Complutense University, Madrid and his Ph.D. from Autonoma University of Madrid in 1978. From 1978-1982, he did his post-doctoral work at Harvard. Corcos specializes in the areas of control of gene expression and the molecular mechanisms of mutagenesis.

Milton Cummings is nominated from the Political Science Department. Cummings receives his nomination from both his Research Seminar on Government and the Arts and his Research Seminar on American Political Parties. Earning his BA in Political Science from Swarthmore in 1954, Cummings went on for his Bachelor of Philosophy in the field at Oxford in 1956. Subsequently, in 1959, he earned his Ph.D. in Political Science from Harvard.

Steven David of the Political Science Department is nominated for his Contemporary International Politics class. He received his BA in Political Science at Union College in 1972. In 1975, David earned his first MA in East Asian Studies at Stanford, followed by another in Political Science from Harvard.

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Career Center adds new job placement tools



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The OCPD hopes to be more of a help to students in the future.

BY MICHAEL SACHDEV
News-Letter Staff

The Office of Career Planning and Development recently added a new feature to its repertoire of job placement tools. Hopkins recently became

one of six institutions to offer a device called InterviewTrak, an online interview-scheduling service from the makers of JobTrak.

"It allows students to do everything online," said Steve Koppi, Assistant Director of Career Planning

and Development. "Students can submit their resume electronically, and employers tell us who they'd like to interview. Then we tell the students, and they schedule interviews over the internet." Koppi said Hopkins is lucky to have the program, as only five other schools have it.

In addition to Hopkins; Duke, the University of Chicago, Rutgers, the University of California in San Diego and SUNY Stony Brook offer InterviewTrak.

"It's pretty awesome," Koppi said. Located in the back of Merryman Hall, the Office of Career Planning and Development has offered students many means of job-placement.

"We do career advising from the first year through the Ph.D.," said Koppi. "We're Homewood focused." According to Koppi, a major misconception is that career advising is only for people who want to go into business.

"Some people think we're more interested in serving business," he

said, "but in reality we try to help everyone. We're about helping every student maximize his or her potential."

Another misconception is that advising is only for undergrads or recent graduates.

"If you graduated five years ago and want to make a career change or network with an alumni, we're here for you," Koppi said.

The results are encouraging. In the class of 1996, 95 percent of job-seeking graduates found employment within four to eight months. Nonetheless, Hopkins students still prefer graduate school.

"64.9 percent of the graduates went to graduate school," said Koppi. "Full-time employment was 42.8 percent." (Many students work full-time and attend graduate school simultaneously, accounting for the overlap in these figures.)

"We're a comprehensive career center," Koppi said. "We help with

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Bobcat brings his humor to JHU



DOUG HOUSMAN/N-L STAFF

Bobcat enjoyed ripping on some easygoing Hopkins students.

BY DOUGLAS HOUSMAN AND
JULIE MALLINGER
News-Letter Staff

Bobcat Goldthwait, a stand-up comic and actor who has appeared in movies such as *Shakes the Clown* and the *Police Academy* series, performed

on Friday, March 27, during Homecoming Weekend. Shriver Auditorium, where Bobcat entertained, was about half-filled, but the audience was kept laughing throughout the performance.

Among Bobcat's targets were the *News-Letter*, late-night talk show host Jay Leno, and movies from earlier in his acting career.

Bobcat, who is known for his unique voice and his often loud comedy, related that upon appearing on Leno's *Tonight Show*, Leno's staff implored him not to yell or shout on the show. When Bobcat arrived on the stage, he said, he questioned Leno about this request, at which point, Bobcat continued, Leno looked extremely surprised and upset. Bobcat went on to perform his comedy as usual on the show.

Bobcat took time during his show to improvise and talk with audience members. He singled out an undergraduate audience member, asking him for his major. When the student replied that he is a material science major, Bobcat turned this into "interior science," and questioning what this area included. Upon clearing up the confusion, Bobcat expressed his admiration for those students who are responsible for "building a better tomorrow," much to the amusement of the audience members.

Bobcat also focused a significant portion of his improvisation on the *News-Letter* photographer photographing the event as the photographer took several pictures using a flash. He jokingly demanded that the student stop distracting him from the performance.

Bobcat topped off his dialogue with the photographer by telling him that he was going to give him a good photograph, and promptly pulling down his pants to moon the entire audience.

However, the Hopkins audience of students and alumni responded most enthusiastically to Bobcat when he mentioned beer. Although Bobcat responded to this with obviously dramatic disdain, he returned several times to the topics of alcohol and parties, getting shouts and whistles from the audience each time.

To finish the show, Bobcat performed his own rendition of the popular rock song YMCA as would be performed by Bono, lead singer of music group U2, complete with dim lights and sound effects. Bobcat sang, emphatically whining and moaning in his imitation of lead singer Bono.

The crowd cheered enthusiastically and several individual gave a standing ovation as Bobcat left the stage, but he did not return for an encore.

HOMECOMING 1998



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President William Brody, shown here with wife Wendy at the Hopkins-North Carolina Lacrosse game, recently underwent surgery to repair a damaged anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee. President Brody injured his knee while skiing and is reported to be recovering well. He expects to be back on his rollerblades by this fall.

NATIONAL & WORLD

Study gives evidence that diet pill Redux is ok for heart after all

BY DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Medical Editor

ATLANTA—A large study released Tuesday found no sign that brief use of the diet pill Redux caused dangerously leaky heart valves, as many feared when the medicine was withdrawn from the market last September.

The study, conducted at Georgetown University, appears to largely exonerate Redux, a prescription appetite suppressant. It found the medicine is no more likely than sugar pills to seriously harm the heart during the two or three months that most people took it.

However, it did not rule out the possibility that taking Redux for many months — as the drug was intended to be used — could have harmed people. It also did not examine whether the chemically similar phen-fen, which was pulled from drugstores at the same time as Redux, is bad for the heart valves.

“These results should be reassuring for the majority of patients who have been on Redux,” said Dr. Neil J. Weissman, who directed the study.

His study is the first large, carefully controlled experiment to see whether Redux truly caused the damage that many suspected.

Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories, which makes Redux and fenfluramine — the fen of phen-fen — pulled both drugs off the market at the request of the Food and Drug Administration. The government acted after a Mayo Clinic team reported 24 cases of heart valve problems among people taking phen-fen.

Government agencies eventually gathered several hundred cases of damaged heart valves among people taking phen-fen and Redux. Such reports cannot prove that the diet pills

actually caused the valve damage. However, the FDA estimated that one-third of people taking the diet pills could have suffered significant heart valve damage as a result.

Dr. Janet Woodcock of the FDA said that while the study “is reassuring for people who took it for a short period of time,” the study does not settle the question of what happened to those who used it longer. She said the FDA believes this is where most of the harm occurred.

Dr. Curt Furberg of Wake Forest University, a member of an expert panel assembled by Wyeth-Ayerst to help design studies of the drugs’ effects, said the Georgetown study “meets the highest scientific standards we have.”

The results were presented at a meeting of the American College of Cardiology.

The study involved 1,072 overweight men and women who had been involved in testing of a new, sustained-release form of Redux. They were randomly assigned to take regular Redux, the new form of Redux or dummy pills. Neither the doctors nor the patients knew which they were getting.

The study was stopped when Redux was taken off the market. The patients were then given echocardiograms to look at their heart valves.

The doctors who read their scans did not know which treatment they had received.

The results showed no significant difference in the three groups in the kind of serious valve damage that the FDA had warned of in Redux patients.

The study found mild or worse leaking of the aortic valve in 5 percent of patients on Redux, 5.8 percent on sustained-released Redux and 3.6

percent on placebos. It found moderate or greater mitral valve leaking in 1.7 percent on Redux, 1.8 percent on sustained-release Redux and 1.2 percent on placebos. The small differences were not considered statistically meaningful.

The study showed — as heart experts already know — that trivial valve leaking can be found with sophisticated diagnostic machines in almost everyone, even though this was somewhat more common among those getting Redux. It found 50 percent of Redux users and 48 percent on placebo had slight valve leakage.

The patients took the drug for an average of 77 days, which is about the same as three-quarters of Redux patients used the medicine.

The findings are unlikely to quell all of the furor over Redux.

“This leaves the false impression that these drugs are safe,” said Guerry Thornton, an Atlanta attorney who has filed lawsuits for women who used them.

Dr. Richard Bowen of Naples, Fla., who sent 122 cases of apparent valve damage to the FDA, said that while new data are reassuring to those who used the drug briefly, he worries that valve problems may be more common among those who took the drug longer.

Dr. Philip J. de Vane of Wyeth-Ayerst said the company has decided not to reintroduce Redux. “Given the legal environment, it doesn’t make any sense,” he said.

Hundreds of lawsuits have been filed against the company by people who took Redux or phen-fen.

Since 1995, 14 million prescriptions have been written for fenfluramine or Redux, most of them for women. The government estimates between 1 million and 5 million Americans have taken the drugs.

House drops banking overhaul

Bill to let banks merge with companies fails

BY MARCY GORDON
AP Business Writer

WASHINGTON—House Republican leaders, overcome by GOP defections and resistance from Democrats, abruptly withdrew an effort Tuesday to dissolve half-century-old legal barriers between banks, stock brokers and insurance companies.

The move was a blow for GOP leaders, who had thrown their prestige behind the effort to eliminate the Depression-era barriers by piggybacking the change onto a more politically popular bill sought by credit unions. The bill also would have allowed mergers between banks and industrial or commercial companies.

The maneuver’s failure after less than two hours of debate was the latest setback in a 20-year effort to let banks, securities firms and insurance companies get into one another’s businesses.

The banking industry had mounted an intensive campaign against the sweeping deregulatory measure. House Speaker Newt Gingrich indicated it was possible that the credit union bill, which would

overturn a Supreme Court ruling restricting credit unions’ customer base, could be voted on separately Wednesday.

“Clearly, combining the two bills together is something that our members weren’t comfortable with,” said Rep. John Boehner of Ohio, one of the Republican leaders. “It’s clear also... that they need more time to really understand the issues.” In the financial overhaul legislation. He suggested the House might take up the legislation when lawmakers return from the two-week Easter recess.

Proponents claim repealing the 1933 Glass-Steagall Act that erected barriers between financial institutions is needed to keep America competitive in an increasingly global marketplace. They also maintain it would save consumers some \$15 billion by providing one-stop financial shopping.

But the legislative language in the proposal that failed Tuesday was opposed by most of the banking industry, which has won permission from federal regulators in recent years to skirt some of the 1933 barriers, and many state regulators of financial institutions.

They were joined in their opposition by the Clinton administration, which said in a statement Tuesday that the legislation would “stifle innovation and efficiency” in the banking system, harm communities and consumers and impose “needless

costs” on small banks.

Ralph Nader and other consumer activists also denounced the measure, contending it would concentrate economic power to the detriment of financial service customers.

But the package was strongly supported by the brokerage houses, insurance companies and Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, who met with Gingrich and other Republican leaders last week.

It went down to defeat after three key Republicans, Reps. Bill McCollum of Florida, Richard Baker of Louisiana and David Dreier of California announced their opposition, saying the language “places significant new burdens on financial services firms to the detriment of their customers.”

Rep. John Dingell of Michigan, the House Commerce Committee’s senior Democrat, tried unsuccessfully to get a series of investor protection measures added to the bill. He then withdrew his support, warning that lifting the remaining barriers between bankers and stock sellers could make U.S. banks like those in Japan — “rotten” and “eaten out from within.”

Sen. Alfonse D’Amato, R-N.Y., chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, has said the House would have to approve a package with broad bipartisan support in order for a similar measure to even be considered by the Senate.

Colorado considers holding primaries

BY JUDITH KOHLER
Associated Press Writer

DENVER—Utah Gov. Mike Leavitt urged Colorado legislators on Tuesday to join neighboring states in a regional presidential primary to make the “voice of the West” heard in 2000.

Utah, Idaho, Nevada and Wyoming have formed a task force that is looking at holding presidential primaries on the same day in early spring.

Lawmakers in Colorado and Arizona are considering whether to join, while Montana and New Mexico will be represented on the task force.

The Dakotas also may be interested.

State Sen. Jeff Wells, a Republican who introduced the bill that would add Colorado to the task force, said an early regional primary would allow the West to influence issues important to the region: Water law, livestock grazing rights on public land and environmental regulations.

The West, one of the fastest growing parts of the country, will gain at least six additional congressional seats by 2000, which translates into more delegates to the national conventions of both major parties.

The Rocky Mountain states would look to hold their primary in early March, and would not try to “out New Hampshire” by scheduling their primary first, Wells said.

Northern Ireland police criticized

BY ROBERT H. REID
Associated Press Writer

UNITED NATIONS—A U.N. investigator has accused police of harassing defense attorneys in Northern Ireland and called for an independent inquiry into the 1989 slaying of a lawyer who defended IRA suspects.

Special investigator Param Cumaraswamy also urged the Royal Ulster Constabulary to respect the right of a suspect to have a lawyer present during interrogations.

In his 37-page report on Northern Ireland’s judiciary, Cumaraswamy, a Malaysian jurist, also urged reinstatement of the right to a jury trial and the right against self-incrimination.

The report was prepared after an 11-day fact-finding mission to Britain and Northern Ireland last October to investigate the “independence of judges and lawyers.” The Associated Press obtained a copy Tuesday.

In the report, Cumaraswamy found that the Royal Ulster Constabulary “has engaged in activities which constitute intimidation, hindrance or improper interference.”

Cumaraswamy cited the 1989 assassination of lawyer Patrick Finucane, who was shot 14 times in his home in front of his wife and three children. The Ulster Freedom Fight-

ers, a Protestant paramilitary group, claimed responsibility “but to date no one has ever been charged for the crime.”

The report noted that a month before the killing, Douglas Hogg, then parliamentary undersecretary of State for the Home Department, said during a public debate on terrorism that “a number of lawyers” in Northern Ireland “are unduly sympathetic to the cause of the IRA.”

In London, Hogg told The Associated Press that it was “wholly untrue” for the U.N. investigator to assume any connection between his remarks and Finucane’s shooting, which the Conservative lawmaker described as “wickedly deplorable and cowardly.”

Cumaraswamy called on the government to appoint an independent judicial inquiry “to investigate the circumstances and ‘outstanding questions which remain’ surrounding Finucane’s death.”

He also urged a separate investigation, preferably by the proposed police ombudsman, of all threats to lawyers in Northern Ireland.

On Tuesday, Finucane’s widow, Geraldine, told Britain’s Channel 4 TV news that her husband came to regard threats as an occupational hazard.

“The threats started off not too serious and gradually they became

extremely serious, they became death threats,” she said. “Pat always felt that this was an interrogation technique, used by the police and he didn’t initially fear that the threats were actually being made against him.”

But that changed, she claimed, after Hogg’s allegations.

U.N. reports are forwarded to the government involved, which is free to deal with them as they choose. There was no immediate comment from the British mission to the United Nations.

Cumaraswamy did praise the British government for its “openness to outside scrutiny.”

He also urged the Bar Council and the Law Society to “be more vocal” in their defense of lawyers who face physical threats and to open dialogue with the Northern Ireland police on ways to address the problem.

Cumaraswamy also recommended that the 1988 Criminal Evidence Order be rescinded and the right to silence be restored for accused.

“Neither judges nor juries should be permitted to draw adverse inferences at trial from a defendant’s failure to respond to police questioning,” he said. “The right to trial by jury should be reinstated with safeguards put in place to protect the integrity of jurors.”

NEWSBRIEFS

David Heft, 90, dies

David Heft, a retired JHU Spanish professor and a resident of Silver Spring, MD, died on March 25 at Holy Cross Hospital. He had Alzheimer’s disease.

Before working at Hopkins, Heft worked for the Organization of American States administering a student training program for youths in Latin America.

Heft taught at the Hopkins graduate school in Washington D.C. from 1973 to 1983.

Heft is survived by his wife, three daughters, one son, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

TV-watchers heavier

Researchers at the JHU School of Medicine have published results which indicate that children who watch more than four hours of television per day tend to be significantly heavier than children who watch less television.

The researcher also indicated that in a study of 4,063 children in the US, 26 percent watch more than four hours of television daily. Within this

group, the highest percentage of children were non-Hispanic black children.

The research confirms earlier data, but does not provide new insight into understanding whether heaviness is a cause or an effect of spending more time watching television.

Colleges use Web to keep in touch with alumni

In an effort to persuade alumni to maintain contact with each other and with their alma maters, many colleges and universities have begun to offer on-line services such as lifetime personal e-mail accounts, home pages for graduating classes, and alumni news groups.

On-line services will also give alumni access to on-line classes and career placement assistance.

Colleges report that they expect reunion attendance to increase as the Internet becomes more widely offered to alumni.

This is because it will be easier for the reunion committees to locate

alumni and publicize the event.

Hopkins professors study manners in the ‘90s

Hopkins professors have recently organized research on civility and manners in various social institutions. The JHU Civility Project, a program started in 1997, was instituted to evaluate civility in the US. The project was founded by professors P.N. Forni of the Hispanic and Italian studies department, and Giulia Sissa of the classics department.

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NEWS

Figures on UC admissions released

BY ELLEN LEE AND LAURA SCHIEBELHUT
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BERKELEY, Calif. — UC Berkeley students and faculty members held a press conference yesterday to announce what they said are the admissions numbers for UC Berkeley's first entering class without affirmative action, even though university officials denied the legitimacy of the figures. The students announced that without affirmative action, the number of

underrepresented minorities has dropped from 18 percent to 7 percent. They did not announce, however, how they got the figures. University officials, who are set to officially announce today the admissions results for this fall's entering class, were quick to point out that the figures are wrong. "The figures are not accurate," said university spokesperson Jesus Mena. "I don't know where these numbers came from. I don't have any comment about where they came from."

According to numbers released in yesterday's press conference, 2 percent of students admitted to this fall's freshman class are black and 5 percent are Latino. Only 26 Native Americans were accepted, conference organizers announced.

Whites comprise 33.5 percent of the admitted class and the number of Asian students amounted to 35 percent, according to the statistics presented. But the figures also show that the portion of applicants who declined to give their ethnicity rose to 21 percent.

Yvonne Valenzuela, the outreach coordinator for the Raza Recruitment and Retention Center, said the initial figures are accurate.

"From what I gather, these are preliminary numbers of what has been decided," she said. "This is the raw data."

But Valenzuela cautioned that the numbers could slightly change because the figures only represent those admitted — not those that accepted the admission — and there are still applications under review.

"I don't know how that will affect the numbers when they are finalized," Valenzuela said. "I'm sure they will be really close to those numbers."

Justin Fong, a UC Berkeley senior who was involved in setting up the press conference, said that the students and faculty who put the event together wanted to announce the numbers before the university did so that they could "vocalize the urgency of the situation."

"They believed the university would soften the impact of the numbers," Fong said. "It was important to let the university's people know that students take the decline in admissions seriously."

Fong added that he expects the university to put a positive spin on the numbers today, so students and faculty wanted to make certain to point out the full impact of the figures.

"It is important to not let the university shed a positive light (on the numbers), to make excuses or promises when the fact is that they tried and these are the numbers," Fong said. "These students want to get the real message out that (these numbers) show the seriousness of the situation," he added. "All the qualified and talented students of color who bring a diversity of background and culture will be lost."

Court strikes Let's Go lawsuit

BY ADAM A. SOFEN
Harvard Crimson (Harvard U.)

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Calling its editors "the modern equivalents of Thomas Paine or John Peter Zenger," the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court struck down a libel suit against the Let's Go travel guide and Harvard Student Agencies (HSA) March 20.

The suit was filed in 1990 by the proprietor of an Israeli youth hostel, Itzik Shaari, after Let's Go's 1989 and 1990 Israel & Egypt edition warned travelers to avoid his hostel because he allegedly sexually harassed three women.

"I think it's a victory for our readers," said junior Catherine J. Turco, president of HSA.

"The safety of our audience is of utmost importance. The decision ensures we can provide accurate and honest information without fear of censorship." The suit, which had been ongoing for eight years, was one of the most significant ever filed against HSA or the travel guide.

The court's ruling is a major setback for the state's libel law, which dates back to 1828. Under the law, even in cases where printed material is truthful, the publishers can be held liable if "actual malice" is demonstrated.

"[The law] is very unusual," said Rosanna Sattler of Boston-based Posternak, Blankstein & Lund, who represented HSA in the case.

"I think everyone was pretty surprised that this statute was still alive." The decision means that truth is now a valid defense for members of the media sued by private individuals, so long as the published material is a matter of "public concern," Sattler said.

A 1985 ruling gutted the portion of the law applying to public figures.

"It's a First Amendment kind of a fight instead of just a libel suit," said senior Caroline R. Sherman, publishing director of HSA, who is responsible for the Let's Go series. "I'm obviously glad for our sake that we won, but also because of the larger implications."

Miss Manners speaks

BY MICHAEL SACHDEV
News-Letter Staff

Judith Martin, known to many as "Miss Manners," spoke March 28 at 8:30 p.m. in Shriver Hall Auditorium. Her speech marked the final event of Reassessing Civility: Forms and Values at the Turn of the Century, an international Symposium on Civility chaired by professors P. M. Forni and Guilia Sissa.

The Symposium included an international array of experts on topics ranging from table manners to medicine to public education, but none of the speakers was as publicly known as Judith Martin. Once called "the National Bureau of Standards" by George F. Will, Martin is a self-proclaimed expert on civility. Her syndicated column, "Miss Manners," is read worldwide.

In his introduction, Forni recounted his first meeting with Martin.

"I reached for her hand first," he said. "And I realized that the woman is supposed to reach for the man's hand if she wants to." Forni laughed. "I couldn't take it back... it's the last step off the ravine."

Then Martin came onstage and assured both Forni and the audience that she was "far too polite to notice" Forni's obvious blunder.

Martin began her speech by thanking New York City Mayor Rudi Guiliani, the U.S. Congress and talk-show hosts for getting involved with civility.

"By studying my subject you've made it respectable," she said. "Thanks!"

Martin then moved on to more serious matters.

"Etiquette, like language and law," she said, "is tradition-based and changes all the time."

For thousands of years, people have studied manners, explained Martin.

"There was Plato, Erasmus, John Locke, Eleanor Roosevelt, God," she exclaimed.

Martin said that while certain aspects of manners have improved in recent years, others have worsened.

"Blatant expressions of racism and bigotry are no longer cute," Martin said. "But petty abrasiveness is everywhere."

According to Martin, civility is "a code to guide you so you don't get in someone else's way." She described manners as a habit or a ritual.

"It's like the Academy Awards or the Miss America Pageant," she said. At this point, Martin launched into a discourse on table manners.

"Civility is now being used as a codename for a new, cunning action of the Fork Brigade," she said. "They don't attack with forks... they attack forks."

Martin said that everyone wants to correct table manners.

"Forks have a worse reputation than knives or guns," she said. "They [the Fork Brigade] say I am chasing

"Blatant expressions of racism and bigotry are no longer cute... but petty abrasiveness is everywhere."

—MISS MANNERS

them with forks, making them play diabolical guessing games." Martin insists that table manners are mere tradition.

Then Martin turned to the topic of children's clothing.

"Kids don't want dress codes because it 'stifles creativity,'" she said. "They're the same kids who say they'll die if they can't wear the same clothes as everyone else."

The audience of approximately 100 laughed hysterically at this irony.

Martin ended the speech by stressing the importance of tradition and ritual.

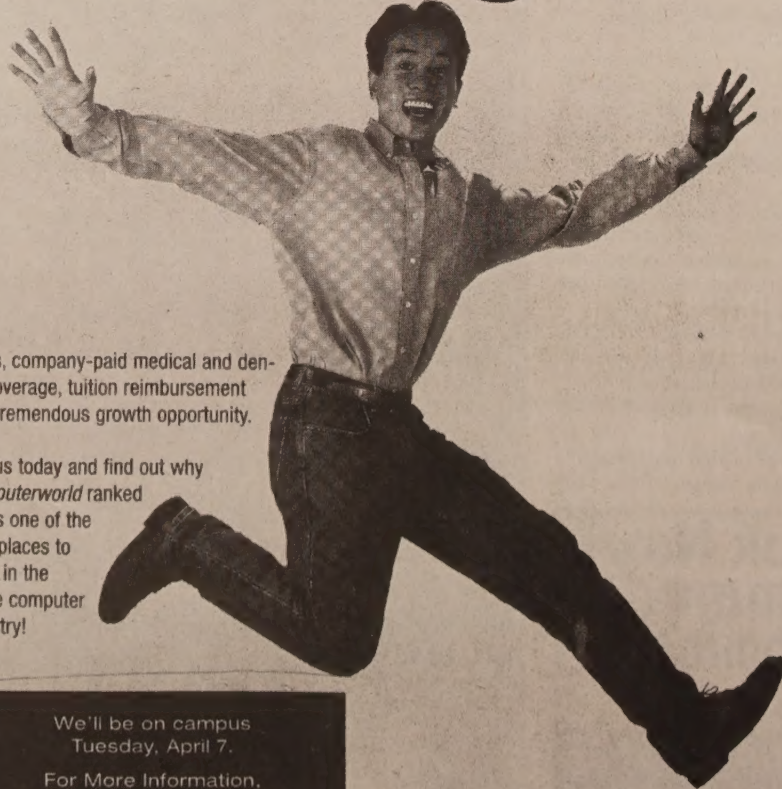
"Ritual serves a human craving," she said.

Incidentally, the Symposium was the culmination of the Johns Hopkins Civility Project, a study, coordinated by both Forni and Sissa, which examines the importance of civility in America.

The project began in early 1997, and has done outreach programs at The Maryland Correctional Facility in Jessup, Maryland; East Baltimore's Patterson High School; and The Johns Hopkins University Medical Institutions.

"It's something we thought would be timely, and we're very pleased with it," said Forni.

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Secretary/Tresurer Ramesh Singa	516-5692	Present
Representative Eva Chen	516-5894	Present
Representative Anne Jefferson	516-5631	Present
Representative Saketh Rahm	516-3212	Present

Chao reveals new shuttle service

Council and security to work together to facilitate vans to Fell's Point and Towson

BY DIMITRI VARMAZIS
News-Letter Staff

Student Council began their April session on a less positive note, with President Matt Scherneck admonishing certain Committee members for their lack of attendance. He alluded to possible impeachments of "certain individuals who had been delinquent in their activities."

However, things picked up with Teddy Chao's announcement that new shuttle services had been coordinated with the assistance of security. The shuttles will soon begin running to Towson and Fell's Point.

The major issue of the night was a plan jointly presented by Bob Mittendorf and Jamie Franco. They presented an assessment report related to student representation on academic affairs councils at Hopkins and other institutions.

"At the end of last semester it came to our attention that there is no student representation on Hopkins' academic council, and this prompted action," stated Mittendorf.

Jamie Franco looked into the issue by comparing Hopkins to several other institutions chosen "on the basis of diversity." Hopkins' council has 12 tenured professors and 4 "ex-officio" members composed of deans, provosts and President Brody himself.

"This situation is heavily biased towards teachers," Franco confirmed.

It was also noted that other schools had more student representation compared to Hopkins.

"At Columbia students are active voting members and are required to speak. UC Berkeley has an active Education Committee with students on it," added Franco.

Mittendorf related that there was growing faculty support for a pro-

posal to add students to the council.

"Our request is reasonable, not unjustified. We should have student representation during discussions of issues of educational policy," Mittendorf also related that this is a sensitive issue because of its sheer importance.

Discussion was concluded with Treasurer Brian Weinthal's query into

whether student additions to the council will require voting procedure.

Representative Dan Shapero also inquired into the possible selection process for these student representatives. Mittendorf responded that they would probably be appointed by the Student chair and voted on in Council.

Homewood community crime report, March 20—March 26

March 20	•9:30 a.m.—2400 Blk N Charles St. Suspect was arrested for attempting to steal food from grocery store.	•7:00 a.m.—600 Blk Gorsuch Ave. Person(s) unknown pushed out air conditioner from window and entered home, taking property. Value unknown.
•12:25 a.m.—2400 Blk N Charles St. Suspect was arrested after he entered the complainant's business and shoplifted items valued at \$31.20.	•12:00 p.m.—3900 Blk N Charles St. Person(s) unknown entered garage and used unknown object to bust out front window of '97 Mercedes. Property taken, valued at \$200.	•2:00 p.m.—2600 Blk Sisson St. Unknown suspect zipped down the soft—top of the complainant's vehicle and removed cellular phone valued at \$300.
•3:00 a.m.—2400 Blk N Charles St. Suspect hit and choked person in her apartment with hands and took VCR valued at \$200.	•8:40 p.m.—3300 Blk Old York Rd. Two males seen exiting house, started fires in three separate locations inside. \$2000 in structural and \$500 in contents damaged.	•4:00 p.m.—2900 Blk Keswick Rd. Two MD tags were taken from a '90 red Chevy Caprice Royal Taxi Cab.
•2:45 p.m.—2400 Blk N Charles St. Suspect arrested for shoplifting property valued at \$50.10. Property recovered.	•9:50 p.m.—600 Blk W 39th St. Unknown suspect remove the complainant's vehicle without his knowledge.	March 25
•2:49 p.m.—3100 Blk St Paul St. Unknown male entered the complainant's business and shoplifted a plastic charity jar containing coins, amount unknown.	•10:00 p.m.—2900 Blk N Charles St. Unknown suspect entered vehicle by force and took sunglasses valued at \$40 and CDs valued at \$100.	•1:45 a.m.—200 Blk W 28th St. Unknown suspect took property valued at \$4.95.
•3:30 p.m.—2800 Blk Maryland Ave. Unknown suspect took the victim's five month old male beagle off his chain out of the back yard. Value, \$250.	March 23	•2:00 a.m.—3000 Blk St Paul St. Unknown female entered victim's home through unlocked front door and took a VCR, cash, and ID cards.
•11:40 p.m.—3200 Blk Abell Ave. Complainant stated that as she was walking up on her porch, and unknown suspect grabbed her purse and ran. Purse valued at \$25 and contained \$60 in currency.	•8:45 a.m.—100 Blk W 39th St. Unknown suspect opened the cashier's register and removed cash.	•9:25 a.m.—3600 Blk Greenmount Ave. Person(s) unknown opened trunk to '85 Honda, taking property valued at \$643.
March 21	•10:00 a.m.—600 Blk E 33rd St. Unknown suspect pried open cellar window, entered and took cellular phone, VCR, 100 video tapes, 60 CDs, and 1 gold nugget ring. Total value unknown.	•1:00 p.m.—900 Blk W 36th St. Suspect(s) left store without paying for store items. Value taken, \$19.
•12:05 a.m.—300 Blk E Lorraine Ave. Victim's boyfriend assaulted her in the mouth and on her hand. Suspect fled the scene.	•12:10 p.m.—3000 Blk Falls Rd. Suspect grabbed property from loading area of business and ran away. Value taken, \$20.	•5:50 p.m.—600 Blk Cator Ave. Known arrested male suspect armed with 12-gauge shotgun approached victim and shot same in right side of body.
•4:30 p.m.—2600 Blk Hampden Ave. Unknown suspect force open bathroom window, entered, and took \$100 in currency and \$400 in coins.	•1:06 p.m.—2800 Blk St Paul St. Person(s) unknown took package from hallway of dwelling. Value, \$600.	March 26
•10:00 p.m.—3300 Blk Chestnut Ave. Person(s) unknown opened driver's side vent window to a '88 Dodge van, entered and took property valued at \$1200.	•9:30 p.m.—200 Blk E 29th St. Unknown subject entered the victim's '87 Toyota by force and took children's clothing valued at \$40 and 8 cassettes valued at \$80.	•9:20 a.m.—3200 Blk N Calvert St. Person(s) unknown unlawfully entered the victim's home through unlocked window and took cash and clothing valued at \$70.
March 22	March 24	•10:15 a.m.—2700 Blk St. Paul St. Witness observed unknown male pulling forcefully rear truck handle of victim's '91 Chevy. Suspect took property valued at \$400.
•7:25 a.m.—2700 Blk Barclay St. Suspect(s) approached victim and struck him in the face with fist, causing him to fall, and took \$20.	•6:45 a.m.—2600 Blk St Paul St. Person(s) unknown entered home by second floor window, taking property valued at \$840.	•3:05 p.m.—2400 Blk Maryland Ave. Known suspect stole victim's property from inside office. Property valued at \$40.

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Teaching award candidates announced

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ence from Harvard in 1977. He also received his Ph.D. from Harvard in 1980. David's areas of concentration are in international relations, security studies and American foreign policy.

For the Economics of Antitrust, Bruce Hamilton, from the Economics Department, is nominated for the award. Hamilton earned his BA in Chemistry and Economics from Grinnell College in 1968, followed by a Ph.D. in Economics from Princeton in 1972. His specialties are urban economics, public finance, labor economy and microeconomic theory.

Lawrence Hardie of the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences is nominated for his Sedimentary Environments course. Hardie received his MA in 1958 from the University of Natal, South Africa and his Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins in 1965. Both degrees are in Geology, and his specific studies involve geochemistry and sedimentation.

Liman Lievens, Lecturer of Chinese in the Language Teaching Center, is nominated for her courses Advanced Beginning Chinese, Beginning Chinese and Upper Intermediate Chinese. She specializes in Mandarin, Cantonese and Taiwanese. Lievens received her degree in Music Education at Taiwan Normal University in 1972.

Monique Milholin, in the French Department, is nominated for her course in Advance Intermediate French. Senior Lecturer in the department and the Director of the French language program, Milholin earned her undergraduate degree in France and her MA in French Literature from the University of Wisconsin at Madison in 1978.

Stephen Nichols, Chair of the French Department and James M. Beall Professor of French, is nominated for his class, Romance and the Marvelous. Nichols' specialties include medieval language, literature, and culture and the interrelation of literature with history, philosophy, and art history. He obtained his BA at Dartmouth in 1958 and his Ph.D. in Comparative Literature from Yale in 1963. He studied further at the University of Aix-Marseilles from 1958-59.

For her course Feminism and Classics, Giulia Sissa of the Classics Department is nominated.

Department is nominated. Department Chair and Graduate Advisor, Sissa specializes in Greek, literature, philosophy, history of medicine, history of sexuality, and gender. From the Hautes Etudes, she received her Diplome d'Etudes Approfondies (MA) in 1979 and her Doctorat (Ph.D.) for Classical Studies in 1983.

Paul Smolensky, Actin Chair of the Cognitive Science Department and Assistant Director of the Center for Speech and Language Processing, is nominated for two of his courses: Advance Sound Structures and Minds, Brains, and Computers. Smolensky received his Bachelors in Physics from Harvard, in 1976, and his Ph.D. in Mathematical Physics from Indiana in 1981. He concentrates in neural networks and grammatical theory, optimality theory, phonology, syntax, learnability and computation.

Eric Brill, Assistant Professor in the Computer Science Department, is nominated for his Introduction to Natural Language Processing class. Brill obtained his BA in Mathematics from the University of Chicago in 1987 and his MA in the same field from the University of Texas at Austin in 1989. He earned his Ph.D. in Computer Science at the University of Pennsylvania in 1993. Brill's specialties are natural language and speech processing and machine learning and artificial intelligence.

Hugh Ellis, Chair of the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering, is nominated for his Environmental Engineering System Design course. Ellis received his B.A.Sc. (1979), M.A.Sc. (1981), and Ph.D. (1984) in Civil Engineering from the University of Waterloo, Canada. His concentrations are in water resources and environmental systems.

From the Department of Computer Science, Michael Goodrich is nominated for his class in Data Structures. He obtained his BA in Mathematics and Computer Science at Calvin College in 1983, followed by his Masters and Ph.D. in Computer Science at Perdue in 1985 and 1987, respectively. Goodrich's specialties are in algorithm design, parallel algorithms, computational geometry, and computer graphics.

Robert Jenkins is nominated for his course in Computer Architecture,

from the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. He is a part-time lecturer at Hopkins and, as of July 1, will become the department's Senior Lecturer. Jenkins earned both his BS in Engineering and his MS in Physics from the University of Maryland in 1967. His specialties include computer applications and advanced processing.

Nicholas Jones, in the Civil Engineering Department, is nominated for his Structural Engineering Lab. he received his Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) from the University of Auckland, New Zealand in 1980 and his M.Sc. (1981) and Ph.D. (1986) from the California Institute of Technology. Jones concentrates in structural dynamics, earthquake and wind engineering, and experimental methods.

Charles Meneveau, of the Mechanical Engineering Department, is nominated for his Fluid Mechanics course. He earned his BS in Mechanical Engineering from the University Tecnica F.S.M. Valparaiso in 1985 and his M.Sc., M.Phil., and Ph.D. in the same field from Yale in 1987, 1988, and 1989, respectively. Meneveau's specialties include experimental and theoretical studies in turbulence, fractal, multifractals, wavelet analysis of energy transfer, and turbulence modeling.

A. Lynn Roberts is nominated for her course, Engineering Aspects of the Public Health Crisis, in the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering. As Assistant Professor in the department, Roberts received her BA in Geology from Pomona College in 1977, followed by her M.Sc. (1984) in Hydrogeology at the University of Waterloo and her Ph.D. (1991) in Environmental Chemistry at MIT. Her concentration is in environmental organic chemistry.

John van Zanten, of the Chemical Engineering Department, is nominated for his Chemical Kinetics and Reactor Design class. he earned his BS in Chemical Engineering from the University of California at Los Angeles, in 1986, and his Ph.D. from the same university, in 1992. As Assistant Professor, van Zanten's specialties are complex fluids, light, neutron and x-rays scattering, polymer physics, polymers at interfaces and applied mathematics.

Louis Whitcomb, in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, is nominated for his class in Vibrations. He obtained his BS in Mechanical Engineering at Yale in 1984. Subsequently, he earned his M.Phil. and Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering also at Yale, in 1988 and 1990, respectively. As Assistant Professor, Whitcomb's concentrations are in robotics and the automatic control of dynamical systems.

M. Gordon Wolman, Professor Emeritus of the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering, is nominated for his class in Geomorphology. Wolman received his BA at Johns Hopkins in 1949, followed by an MA (1951) and a Ph.D. (1953) in Geology from Harvard. His specialties include geomorphology and water resources.

De La Soul pays a visit

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most of the crowd stood up and was dancing in front of the stage.

De La Soul performed a variety of tracks from their decade-long career, from "Say No Go" off of 1989's *3 Feet High and Rising* to "Big Brother Beat," featured on their most recent album, *Stakes is High*.

Even though much of the audience was unfamiliar with their newer work, De La Soul went through great effort to get the crowd amped, asking which side of the audience was "down with old school hip-hop" and asking two students onto the stage to dance with them.

Despite the group's declaration that "We hate this song," the crowd was delighted to hear a performance of De La Soul's early hit single, "Me Myself and I."

Perhaps the highlight of the evening was the group's performance of "Pony Ride" (*Stakes is High*). De La Soul implored the audience to wave their arms from side to side as if holding imaginary steering wheels.

After the main act, Enoli performed some of his solo work.

De La Soul said their new album would likely be released next fall.

OCPD makes updates

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graduate school advising as well."

Koppi explained that the advising is a three-step process.

The first step is assessment, in which the job-seeker gets career advising which may involve a personality test at the Counseling Center, also in Merryman.

The second step, Koppi said, is a discovery.

"We show students what's out there," he said. "We show them employers, alumni career network, firsthand advice from alumni... even job-search strategies."

According to Koppi, there is a career library in the Office of Career Planning and Development which lists many of the jobs available.

The third and final step of the process is implementation, including resume critiquing, networking advice and workshops on interviewing and salary-negotiating skills.

"We're especially effective in implementation," Koppi said.

Koppi said that the Office of Career Planning and Development has grown considerably in recent years, citing renovations and rearrangements as major changes in the program.

As a result of the recent changes, Koppi said, the program now boasts over 1,000 advisees.

"It's a recruiting information system," says Koppi.

"The feedback has been really good this year from students who are actively job-searching," Koppi explained that the marketplace determines how "easy it is" for students to get certain jobs.

"Our job is to prepare students to be their own job-entrepreneurs," he said, "but we've only just scratched the surface."

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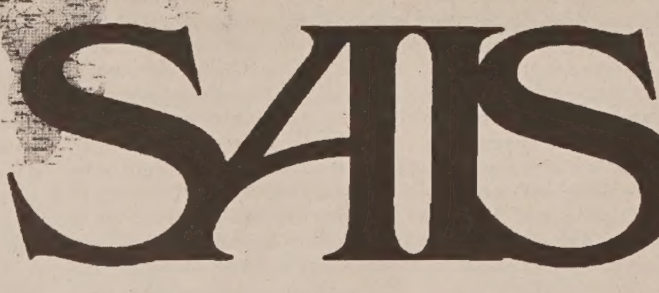
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EDITORIALS

Hi-tech career services do not satisfy all students

For those students who use the Office of Career Planning and Development, the addition of on-line services has greatly improved the job search. But the office is not attracting as many students as it should, because it fails to serve a large sector of undergraduates with diverse career aspirations.

Assistant Director Steve Koppi offers that one widely-held "misconception" prevents more students from using the services: The office only serves students who are interested in business careers.

In fact, for some student—especially those dedicated to the liberal arts or social sciences—it's difficult not to believe the "misconception."

The office has sponsored two field trips over the past semester, taking students to reputable businesses in New York City and Baltimore. All of these businesses were financial institutions.

Currently, the list of corporations recruiting on campus and posting interview schedules on the new InterviewTrak is chock full of

consulting firms and financial institutions.

There is little anxiety for students who know that companies have job openings and want to hire JHU students. There is little hassle for students whose resumes are e-mailed, interviews are scheduled electronically, and interviewers are making the trip themselves to JHU.

Admittedly, it may not be feasible to provide a field trip that fits every student's occupational interest. But the office must provide a fair amount of on-campus recruiting that spans the range of occupational interests of all JHU students.

Recently, the office distributed a survey to its users asking for input on the services provided. Few patrons of the career center will complain about informational sessions on cover-letter writing or salary negotiation. But when the results of the survey are in, the Office of Career Planning and Development is sure to fall short of satisfying all students. The office must strive to serve the interests of each and every JHU student searching for a job.

Aah... Spring is in the air!

Aaaah, yes. Spring is here again—the flowers have started to come out, it has started to warm up outside, Baseball season has only just begun and the Beach, everyone's favorite gathering place, is back in business.

If the past couple of weeks are an indicator of those to come, this Spring promises to be a great one here on the Homewood campus.

Here at the *News-Letter* we're pretty excited about the coming of Spring. We want you to be excited as well.

So far we've had a successful Homecoming celebration and summer weather. We had our own homecoming gathering here at the Gatehouse, and it was a rewarding experience for all in attendance.

Fortunately, we've also enjoyed a few warm, safe, fun nights on the beach thanks to the stu-

dents' responsibility and the administration's wisdom.

No new arts center, lacrosse grandstand, or any other edifice will ever be able to replace the beach. The administration realizes that, and they have responded favorably.

Kudos to you, JHU.

Before long, vendors and amusement park rides will be taking over the campus for Spring Fair.

Co-chairs Jessie Crain and Bill Northington have worked hard all year to put together this year's fair, Odyssey '98. And here at the *News-Letter* we've just received our information about the beer garden. Needless to say, we're pretty excited about that, too.

Spring is here, and it's exciting. Put down that damn orgo book for once and live it up.

Charisma and character at odds in Clinton's balancing act

I was recently reminded of one of my more ironic experiences by the convergence of two trends—the sudden desire of many people I know to see the Broadway musical *Chicago*, and the nationwide longing to see and discuss the movie *Primary Colors*. The experience of which I was reminded had all of the symbolism an overeager English major could hope for, and proves especially insightful now, given the awesome repulsion Bill Clinton has for character-based criticisms.

Last March, I attended *Chicago* the same night as Bill and Hillary Clinton. This musical seemed a bold choice for the First Couple, as the show's first line goes something like, "Ladies and gentlemen, what follows is a tale of treachery, murder, lies, deception and adultery." The audience was all thinking the same thing. Most people laughed. Some even confirmed the cause of the collective giggle by shouting, "Bill!"

Was he squirming in his chair? For a naive second, I thought he may have been. Then I remembered. Did it matter what we thought of him? We were thinking of him! Infamy and fame are nearly identical, as *Chicago* would come to teach us.

Far below their at-ease exteriors, the Clintons must have watched the show with an uncomfortable sense of detached irony.

LAURENDEMILLE A Glance Outside

Was the show about two women who get away with murder by creating a media frenzy—not satirizing the Clinton's methods, indeed the methods of most successful celebrities, to create a persona? Clinton's persona in the movie *Primary Colors* is so opaque that moviegoers seem to leave the theater with different interpretations

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of the film, even including confusion as to whether the movie was at all favorable in its treatment of the President.

Is part of this confusion caused by the feline tendencies of Clinton's public image, in that he seems to be able to right himself after any fall? Does this constant shift and balance leave people

confused, but also paradoxically trusting of a leader who can make everything seem okay?

Everything is certainly not okay for Clinton, but the constantly cited opinion polls show that everyone thinks he is. This division of the man from his situation allows Clinton to stand somewhat solidly, even on other continents, as his aides and the press flutter around him. As was brilliantly portrayed in *Primary Colors*, though Bill Clinton may cause the storm, he knows how to dispel the blame and ride it.

An explanation of the opinion polls may lie in the last line of *Chicago*, a culmination of the show's themes of false appearances and illusion: "We are living proof of what America stands for." A snide snort from each nostril in the audience arose, clearly directed at the First Couple. This gesture was ironic, considering that at intermission, a rush of people, caught in their own frenzy of fame, attempted to peer over the mezzanine railing (and each other) into the orchestra below, to catch a glimpse of the Clintons. Their celebrity know-how, so easily misconstrued as quiet competence and strength, is indeed what America, including theatergoers on tiptoe, will stand for.

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Refutation of Israel facts "propaganda to the point of comedy"

To the Editors,

The Arab-Israeli peace process has attained what minimal accomplishments it has through one means—dialogue. When two parties decide to sit down and hammer out their differences, it is the product of their sharing certain fundamental beliefs. In the case of the Israelis and the Palestinians, these beliefs are simple: peace is better than war, life is better than death, survival is better than annihilation. Using dialogue and the awareness of true motives and true initiatives it fosters, we gain the ability to separate errant paths of progression from the misunderstandings which envelop them. Unfortunately, the peaceful spirit apparently common to both has been blunted by a dialogue consistently plagued by unfulfilled promises and interminable anger.

The most important part of this process is understanding the facts—knowing what people want to get done and what has been done will help us figure out what ought to be done. Unfortunately, however, we lose sight of this objective, blinded by reason-enfeebling passion. Both sides are passionately interested, for one reason or another, in controlling the land of Israel. Judging by responses to my article of two weeks ago, we still tend to get too carried away with our emotion to make any significant progress.

In a second effort to elucidate the facts, we will yank from our responder's "facts" the truth from misunderstanding. As evidenced by Maha Aon's recent letter to the editor of this paper, an ignorant attempt to debunk myths often leads to the perpetuation of them.

Ms. Aon's "facts" are propaganda to the point of comedy and are so easily refuted as to render them useless even as such. Ms. Aon's assertion that "The Zionist movement was never legally given any right to control what is present-day Israel" is a common false perception in the Arab world. Notably, the issue of rights to the land is a conglomeration of detailed and complex resolutions, accords and agreements whose elucidation is well beyond the scope of this article. Certain facts, however, are clear. The UN sanctioned division of Palestine, which gave land to both Arabs and Jews, was rejected, not by Israel, but by the Palestine Arab Higher Committee on November 30, 1947. They termed the partition a declaration of war and used it to legitimize the Arab invasion of Israel which occurred several months later and just hours after the state of Israel had been declared.

As far as the McMahon correspondence, cited in Ms. Aon's letter as promising the Palestinians independence, Sir Henry McMahon himself stated in 1937 in a letter to the *Times* that despite claims to the contrary, the area west of Damascus [Palestine] was excluded from the area of Arab independence.

The mistaken claim that Egyptian lands were returned to Egypt after the 1973 war is not only incorrect but is somewhat telling of common Arab sentiments. In fact, the Sinai peninsula was returned not as a result of the Yom Kippur war but six years later after the signing of the Camp David accords and the subsequent Israeli-Egyptian Peace Treaty, the first ever Peace Treaty signed between Israel and an Arab neighbor and the only such agreement in existence until the Jordanian Treaty was signed just a few years ago. In other words, the land was returned not as a consequence of war, but as a by-product of peace.

This relates to Quentin Hodgson's questioning of the fact of the PLO's presumed desire to eradicate Israel which also appeared in last week's *News-Letter*. The PLO's aims are clear and are stated in their charter which calls for the destruction of Israel and for armed struggle as the only means by which this can be accomplished. As part of the Oslo Accords, the charter was supposed to have been changed, but no such change has yet occurred. The Palestinian National Committee (PNC) have merely agreed to address the issue of changing the charter at a later date, which

means that for now, it is their stated aim to violently pursue the liberation of their lands.

The peace process has yielded some concrete results for the Palestinians which renders the assertion that the "Israeli government controls 100 percent of Palestine" as simply nonsense. In fact, virtually all the Palestinians currently living in the territories live under Palestinian control. The remainder of the disputed land is mostly uninhabited or dotted with small Jewish settlements that are held as Israel's last remaining bargaining chip in the struggle to force Arafat to curb terrorist activities.

If we're to advance through dialogue, we must be on the same playing field, and statements such as these indicate that we're not all looking at the same set of facts; facts which fortunately are easily verifiable with a trip to the library by any open and honest individual. Sometimes we believe what we believe, voluntarily or involuntarily, according to what we want to believe. But passion should not cloud over our ability to know the real facts. It also should not preclude our ability to ignore the trivialities and to concentrate on the important aspects of the peace process.

If, for example, the Koran is a "Holy Book" and not a "Bible", this distinction hardly seems significant in the overall goal we all ostensibly strive for—peace. In fact, it seems we are mocking peace by engendering ill-will, through emphatic confrontation, in its face. Innocent misnomers ought not to be a reason to get angry. We must keep our priorities in check. The point is, whatever kind of book it is, the Muslims revere it. And for the PLO to claim they're Muslims and to claim they have as much of a spiritual connection to Jerusalem as the Jews do simply makes no sense. Jerusalem is not mentioned once in the Koran. Plus all Muslims pray to Mecca and Medina before they pray to Jerusalem. Jerusalem is all the Jews have.

Moreover, as I mentioned two weeks ago and as Mr. Quentin Hodgson unwittingly substantiated for me by discussing his Palestinian friends who have become successful professionals in Jerusalem, religious freedom abounds in Israel. Muslims are free to come and go to the Dome of the Rock as they please. I heard them praying there when I was in Jerusalem three years ago.

So clearly we must contain our passion on trivial levels of distinction whose exploration only serves to thwart peace even more. Next we must strive to use reason above passion in all our decision making so as to understand all facts rationally. What ought to be very clear is that aside from any of the nuances among meanings of words like "Koran" one can conjure, none of them will erase from the minds of each Israeli the PLO's impenetrable intent to eradicate Israel and her citizens physically, has they have already done symbolically on their international, political maps.

The first response to this is perhaps, well both sides are fighting each other and it is difficult to know who is responsible. Wrong. It is easy to know who is responsible. Just glance at the facts: solely in an effort to pre-empt any nitpicking criticism, we will note that the prevalent violence between Israel and the PLO is not some back-and-forth, no one knows-where-it-came-from type of fight. Immediately upon the Jews receiving Israel in 1947 according to the UN Partition Plan, numerous Arab nations attacked furiously and relentlessly, murdering scores of innocent Jewish citizens who were just finally given air to breathe, released from the apparent inescapable horror of the Holocaust.

Now, perhaps they are the terrorist organizations like Hamas who initiate violence; they are, however, nevertheless supported monetarily, politically, and blatantly by Syria, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Iraq, Yassir Arafat and others.

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The second response could conceivably be that well Netanyahu hasn't adhered to Oslo by giving the PLO twenty to thirty percent of the West Bank, so why should Arafat adhere to Oslo by editing the charter so as not to advocate jihad (holy war) against Israel as the only practical means to a successful peace process. Is anyone else out there as struck as I am not only by the vile and dangerous irony of this situation but also by the implied utter disregard for morality and humanity manifest by refusing to edit this charter? How difficult is that promise to uphold? What would the PLO be losing if it did so? Their refusal makes it difficult not to doubt their sincere dedication to peace. We can argue all day over whether Israel deserves 53 percent of the land or the PLO deserves 30 percent of the West Bank. Israel has compromised before and is ready now to yield land. The point is or should be that this is a peace process. It just doesn't make sense—if two groups were truly searching for peace, it would seem comically easy for the one to retract its desire to fight and demolish. It would seem—it does seem—counterproductive.

So passion unbridled by reason makes us misinterpret facts and intentions, making it seemingly impossible to attain peace. If we want peace, let's act like it. Ignoring compromise and focusing solely on one's personal agenda is like asking a question at a news conference and, too angry and passionate to wait for the answer, exiting the auditorium before the response. Both are futile, counterproductive means to attain peace. The former is even worse when voiced intentions don't match actual intentions. So far, secrets kill—that will not change. Let us ignore the trivialities and meet to express ourselves honestly and to understand each other rationally.

Sincerely,
Ben Harris and Aaron Schlossberg

Gutting column shows "Testosterone overload"

To the Editors,

Oh where oh where should I begin [Tom Gutting]? Your column from March 4th's issue, entitled "More Graphic Sex" was so full of sexist rhetoric that it is no surprise that women will not go out with you. As a male myself I find it especially important to write to you and point out that the article was NOT about how "guys think about girls", it was about how YOU think about girls. To think that you can speak for other people, and in such lowly and ignorant ways, is scary.

You seem to try to excuse your behavior of treating women as objects ("When you have clothes on, it's all pretty much the same to us. We'll only really notice if you're naked.") by exclaiming that men can't help it, that's the way they are. I'm sorry but that is b.s. You can't expect and plead for leniency when you experience "testosterone overload". Testosterone overload at frat parties can very typically lead to rape (which you also treat lightly—your allusion to a "plundering Hun" not only turns sexual assault into comedy, but attacks race as well). Is society supposed to be lenient towards rapists? Do you try to excuse your actions because somewhere deep down you know that they are demeaning and immature? I would hope so, but I fear that this is not the case.

Sure you try to make us believe that personality is most important to you, but you're no better than the two friends joking about a woman's breasts. You cannot pretend to be the lonesome, misunderstood male. That doesn't work anymore. You mentioned in your latest column that you fear that you're getting old. Well, for your sake, I hope you grow up.

Sincerely,
Chris Schlobohm

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HIV case a potential Pandora's box

The Supreme Court is currently deciding on whether people with AIDS are disabled and should qualify for all benefits and protections thereof. The case which is being brought to the court regards a dentist Dr. Randon Bragdon and his HIV infected patient, Sydney Abbott. Dr. Bragdon has been accused of discrimination because he refused to fill Ms. Abbott's cavity in his office, but rather wanted to do it in a hospital setting where it would be much safer.

Now where, might you ask, is the problem. Ms. Abbott was still going to have her cavity filled and the doctor was being protected against a deadly disease. Well Sydney Abbott had a problem with it, and in this country of litigation, she sued. This type of frivolous litigation has especially plagued our legal system for years, but the problem with her lawsuit is that it may bring about a change in the way doctors treat their patients and bring about more clarification of the federal law protecting the rights of the truly disabled, signed in 1990 by President Bush.

Should Dr. Bragdon have treated Sydney Abbott, and in doing so, gone against his policies on treating people with infectious diseases? I think not. What Dr. Bragdon did is perfectly understandable and for the courts to allow this case to reach the supreme court is absurd. People infected with HIV are not disabled—they can still walk, talk, hear and speak. Abbott claims that the fact they can't produce children is a disability. If the supreme court decides in favor of Abbott then you would be declaring impo-

VISHALAMIN The Burning Zone

tency a disability under federal law.

Also, this would most definitely open up a Pandora's Box of patients suffering from epilepsy to diabetes claiming protection under federal law. A law which was signed in the spirit of helping those who are truly handicapped.

Abbott claims that the fact they can't produce children is a disability. If the supreme court decides in favor of Abbott then you would be declaring impotency a disability under federal law.

I also believe that this is not a matter for the courts to decide but one better left to the medical community. Frankly, I would rather have medical issues being decided by those better qualified such as doctors. It would be akin to having your postman rewire the electricity in your home, it wouldn't work. If the supreme court does rule in favor of Ms.

Abbott as two lower courts have then many other organizations will be affected. The insurance industries will be forced to take care of the ever growing HIV infected population in this country, forcing many of these companies to deny basic services to the vast majority of their clients. This ruling would also affect hiring of people who are HIV positive. Because they would be covered under the Americans with Disabilities Act many businesses would face litigation if they did not hire people with HIV, and would also be forced to provide them with the same benefits as they do their normal employees.

The issue facing the supreme court is one of great importance to this nation and to the health industry as a whole. In the end, one must ask the question that if you were placed in the same situation, what would you do? I know that if being in Dr. Bragdon's place I wouldn't have a problem treating a patient infected with HIV, but I would likewise treat the patient in a manner which provides the utmost safety to myself and others involved. I think it would be reckless to act in any other way. If you can handle a potentially life threatening situation in a situation which considerably reduces the risk, then one must act accordingly. Is it really too much for a woman with HIV to pay a little bit more for dental care if that means that the people helping her are allowed a safer working environment. I don't think it is. "It is difficult to make our material condition better by the best law, but it is easy enough to ruin it by bad laws." (Theodore Roosevelt).



Drug use: The last unattained civil right in America today

MIKE JASIK Truth Addict

In the last hundred years in the United States we have seen an extension of full civil rights to segments of the population long oppressed and excluded from the political and economic benefits of our system. Black Americans and other ethnic minorities, women and the handicapped have become equal participants in our society, though remnants of past maltreatment still linger. Homosexuals are on their way into full inclusion into our society, though Southerners, Republicans and vehement Christians still stand in the way of progress, as they always do. The last segment of society given equal rights will be drug users, who are the victims of laws that punish them, their families and the rest of society. The government has no right to declare war on this segment of the population. They deserve all the same rights that you and I cherish, but take for granted.

Black Americans were chained in slavery for hundreds of years, only receiving freedom after the Civil War. They were also given the vote but discrimination and intimidation prevented any fair voting. Jim Crow laws subjugated the blacks into segregated communities and

blacks were lynched by mobs or beaten to death with no opposition from anyone. Only through education and open-minded thinking were these absurd notions abolished from mainstream culture, though many ignorant people still exist.

Women were also engaged in a similar slavery: marriage. Social standards prevailed in convincing everyone that women have to be wives and mothers, and nothing else. Men were allowed to beat their wives and the women had no recourse. Religion, government, society and family were all stacked against them. The Reformation started the liberalization of social standards, especially in regards to women. Industrialism brought women into factories and mills because they could be paid less and were less likely to strike. The attitude that women were unfit for anything except motherhood still prevailed well into the 20th century. Eventually the vote came as well as the equal rights that women had been lobbying for.

The social standard had changed because it was finally realized that women had all the same capacities as men and they should be recognized. Religion, society and government had all been proved wrong because people had opened their minds to the truth.

Homosexuals have been social outcasts for thousands of years, though certain societies like the ancient Greeks were tolerant to them. Discrimination has occurred much less often because homosexuality cannot be detected on the outside, like skin color can. Nevertheless, this social group has been the object of social reproach and violence against them has received less attention than it normally would. The institution of gays in the military brought on almost as much protest from the military as was voiced when President Truman integrated blacks into the armed forces. The military said the two could not work together, but they were wrong, just as they are today about gays. Mainstream culture has assimilated homosexuality to a certain extent, though Republicans and Christian Coalition members perpetuate the idea that homosexuality is evil, wrong and should not be condoned by government. Time will eradicate such false notions as it did with racial minorities and women.

In the second half of the 19th century drugs were legal and were in mainstream culture. Housewives used cocaine to give them energy to do their chores. Opium was used as a sedative to ease pain or allow sleep. People were not warned of how addictive some of these drugs were, which led to addicted housewives and doctors. Soon after the drugs became identified with racial minorities and the lower classes. Middle class citizens did not want their children "infected" with the disease of "vagrants." Laws were passed and drugs were pushed into the worst parts of town, pushed

under the carpet. Alcohol and cigarettes remained in the mainstream because they had become so amalgamated into our society through time and religion. Drugs did not have that advantage.

Most drug users are recreational users. They are normal people like you and me. They lead normal lives, have jobs and families. But the stereotypes started a century ago persist. Drug users are disgusting vagrants with no hope in life. Drug dealers are worse than murderers. Why do we think this? Millions of middle class people use marijuana in a recreational manner, hurting no one and going back to their jobs the next day.

Drug dealers are often situated in the ghetto areas where opportunity is

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nonexistent. They must choose between a minimum wage job with no future or a lucrative drug dealing job where they are respected. We can sit on our moral high chairs and demand that they accept the menial job, but we'd do the exact same thing faced if faced with the same choice. It is true that hard-core users do exist, and they often fit the stereotype. Crackwhore became part of our vocabulary because crackwhores do exist. But that's only a segment of the users. Though drunks and winos do exist, they're only a small segment of the users, and we know that.

Who sits in prisons guilty of the drug problems? Is it the middle class marijuana users or the rich cocaine snorting white girls? Sometimes it is, but a vast majority are impoverished black males, the ones without any other opportunity. They are singled out because cops know that drugs come from the ghetto, and it's easy to fill the quota and arrest people there instead of going out into the suburbs and arresting there, though that's happening more and more frequently now. Overall, blacks take the fall for white drug use. That's a violation of their civil rights.

Blacks, women and homosexuals faced discrimination that lessened their ability to pursue happiness, that unalienable right in the Declaration of Independence. Drug users and dealers face that same problem. If left alone, they could operate like any other industry. By interfering, we trample their civil rights. It sounds funny, but the right to use and sell drugs should be protected. It should be regulated of course, to keep distribution into reasonable hands. People will still abuse them, but people still abuse alcohol to this day. The only solution is education: the knowledge to understand the effects of certain drugs, and the knowledge then to allow people to make that decision for themselves.

Anticipating the '98 - '99 symposia

My freshman year ('95-'96) was a great time, filled with great activities, a memorable Spring Fair, a snow-drenched winter, a down-to-the-wire lacrosse homecoming and a ton of other stuff. Yet, it was missing an ingredient that has been successfully developed since then: Multiple symposiums, with big name speakers. Whether or not you actually agree with the speakers is beside the point.

More importantly, however, is the resource opportunities that the multiple (sometimes concurrent) symposia provide—Instead of another night at PJ's

The fact that Hopkins students and JHU student programming can attract big-name talent to come and interact with us is, well, amazing considering our small student population. It also provides intellectual and cultural opportunities for the campus-at-large. More importantly, however, is the resource opportunities that the multiple (sometimes concurrent) symposia provide; instead of another night at PJ's, or watching the idiot box, your options include listening to Cornell West, Jesse Jackson or the Russian Ambassador. Moreover, the cultural value attached to a non-traditional student activity, such as symposia and ethnic dinners, heightens student awareness of the world and community around them, something sorely missing from the Hopkins undergrad experience (hence, Professor Harris in the Sociology dept. frequently asks us if we ever "stick our heads out of our cubbyholes to see the light of day or read the newspaper").

Next year's MSE Symposium seeks to expand on this idea. In addition to providing JHU with big-name (and big-budget) speakers, next year's chairs would like to bring the community onto campus with interactive events designed to facilitate an exchange of information between Baltimore professional and trade associations and the students. This idea has some serious potential. More and

CRAIG ZAPETIS Generation X

more, as our undergrad population moves away from medical school (from 45 percent of undergrads to about 28 percent) and into other fields, such as investment banking, consulting, corporate research and entrepreneurship, the burgeoning business activity taking place in Baltimore and the I-70 corridor between here and Washington is looking more and more attractive to our graduates. Improving our relationship with the community, not just through Charles Village cleanups and Habitat for Humanity projects (both worthy programs, mind you) but through genuine networking, assistance and informational meetings can offer JHU undergrads a step up into the job market when they graduate—especially when more and more graduates are going to work before starting school for law degrees, MBAs and Ph.Ds.

But then again, Symposiums don't have to be about the Senior Job Hunt, or about a murky defined "cultural experience" or even about social opportunities in a socially stagnant atmosphere. Sometimes, its just about getting a looksee at a star—the Hollywood effect. Having important and famous people marching through campus once or twice a week is, at the root-level, cool. We get out our cameras, and our newly-purchased autobiographies, and hope to get a signature, a handshake, or a word exchanged. I remember last year, 500 guys rushed Tyra Banks for autographs over her picture on the *Sports Illustrated* swimsuit edition cover. Similar with Alan Dershowitz (sans SI cover, to be sure) Anthony Lake, Cornell West, Candice Gingrich, Mike Dukakis and Jesse Jackson. And Ralph Reed, well, some people (like 900 of them) showed up just to hate him. Hey, whatever floats your boat!

And that's what it's all about. Love, hate, adoration, disgust, intellectual interest, cultural experience or even curing sheer boredom—a symposium can be many things to many different people. The MSE Symposium, the Symposium on Foreign Affairs, DSAGA's lectures, OMSA's Black History month celebration, and the Deans' participation (they brought George Bush this year) as well as smaller lectures hosted by various academic departments and student groups all add to the continuing emphasis on adding to campus life.

Additionally, the Administration's

support of such programs have been way above board—shelling out big time money to help keep all of these programs running concurrently. The Deans clearly understand how the diversity in symposia clearly plays to the diverse expectations and interest within our student body. And, judging from the quality of such programs at other major institutions, Hopkins is way ahead of the pack.

Yet, in all the self-congratulatory praise I've offered for the great job Hopkins is doing, I offer one caveat: don't let coming financial pressures (or the lack of growth in the funds allotted for symposiums) edge out one symposium over another—room needs to be made for these groups, as all offer legitimate services to the University. For instance, the Symposium on Foreign Affairs is now poised to grow into THE major spring symposium, after the tremendous job done this year for the bargain-base-

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ment price that the symposium cost. However, raiding MSE's coffers for such a project would be an abject loss, considering the return MSE provides for their efforts. Therefore, the Deans need to establish an alternate source of inter-university funding to help the Symposium on Foreign Affairs achieve big-budget and big-speaker success. Trust me, there's plenty of money to go around—it's just a question of budgeting priorities; and a priority this should be. Making room for everybody within our resources, as I've stated, is a net-gain for the university, for the community, and for the success of the student body at large. No one should miss out on next year's symposiums—I suspect they'll prove too exciting.

SPORTS



JOE YOON/NEWS-LETTER STAFF
Hopkins outscored North Carolina 11-4 in the second half en route to a 16-9 victory over the Tar Heels.

Moving forward with another win

Last Saturday, we took yet another step forward with a decisive victory over North Carolina. Although we started slowly going into the half, tied at five, an offensive burst in the second half proved to be too much for the Heels. We came out in the second half and dominated every aspect of the game. We shot the ball well, converting 11 goals on only 26 shots. Furthermore; our extra-man offense performed brilliantly. This unit converted 3 of 8 opportunities, acting as the catalyst, which helped to jump start our offense in the second half. Individually, midfielders Andrew Godfrey and A.J. Haugen had career days, each contributing four goals. Moreover, senior attackman Dudley Dixon pumped in five goals on the

RICHARD SCHWESTER
Off the Bench

afternoon, despite playing with a fractured bone in his wrist. Finally, our consistent and energetic goaltender, Brian Carcaterra, delivered another great performance, stonewalling the Heels with a 14 save effort. The Carolina game was one we thought we should win. However, it was imperative that we not only win, but improve as a team. It is evident that we are playing with a great deal of confidence, much more than we had at the start of the season. We are beginning to feel good as to how we are progressing as a team. Each week, we get better because we get a little stronger. In practice we are working a little harder, focus-

ing on perfection. This will make the difference come tournament time. This coming weekend, we will travel to Pennsylvania where we face Villanova. In this particular game, there exists a bit of a twist. The head coach of Villanova happens to be Randy Marks, the father of our starting attackman David Marks. Surely this will be a nice reunion for David and his father. However, once the whistle blows, both will be focused on their respective tasks. This game is one we should definitely win. In addition, it will provide an opportunity for the younger guys to get some playing experience. Regardless of who we are playing, it is important that we continue to improve, continue to do the little things correctly, and play the best that we possibly can.

The inside scoop on Women's Lax

In our opening four games of the 1998 season, the Hopkins Women's Lacrosse team has found itself dominating teams through solid defense and stellar midfield play.

In the home opening game against Gettysburg last week, All-American goalie Anita Patibandla allowed only 4 out of 20 shots on goal to shut down the Bullets' offense. Patibandla's quickness and agility with the stick is something that our defense capitalizes on particularly in the rides and clears. Her confidence and vocalization on the field is something that the team and particularly the defense thrives on to shut out opposing teams. Returning starter Maria Fontoura has found herself back on low defense as she has stepped up to become one of our key defenseman. She normally marks one of the key players and has continuously, but not surprisingly, shut Gettysburg, in particular, down. Fontoura is also one of the go to players that Patibandla looks for to clear the ball because of Fontoura's

NANCY KIM
Off the Bench

ability to "burn" her girl to start a fast break for the offense. Fontoura shows great communication skills while working with junior Mimi Sokolowski. Sokolowski found herself challenging other defensemen last year as she played low attack; however, due to her versatility and game sense, she is back on the defensive unit. Sokolowski took several charges by the Bullets' unsettled offense which turned out to be key turnovers in the games, allowing us to capitalize and score 17 goals. Laura Ekas has been a nice surprise for the defense especially since this is only her second year of ever playing lacrosse. She worked religiously during the off season to improve her game sense and stick skills and it paid off with her in a starting position. In the past games, Ekas has shown her athletic prowess by suc-

cessfully driving the ball out of the defensive unit and into the midfield. The midfield unit, in particular Ramsey Neale and Barbara Ordes, has changed a traditionally weak transition team into a threatening and fast midfield. Her help includes co-captain Cathy Dancz, who has been ripping up our opponents with a career high of four goals in both the Muhlenberg and Gettysburg games. Preseason All-American, Janice Yoo is known for her consistency and knack for getting loose groundballs; these past games have not been an exception for her. In the upcoming week, we have two key conference games and one of the biggest games against College of New Jersey. Defense and a strong transition game will help us settle into the type of play that we thrive on: settled offense. The restraining line has enabled us to utilize our plays and to freelance with less pressure. If we keep our intensity up, we will beat every single team for the rest of the season.

Swimmer Balkcom and fencer Little named GTE Academic-All Americans

JHU one of just two schools with two selected to team

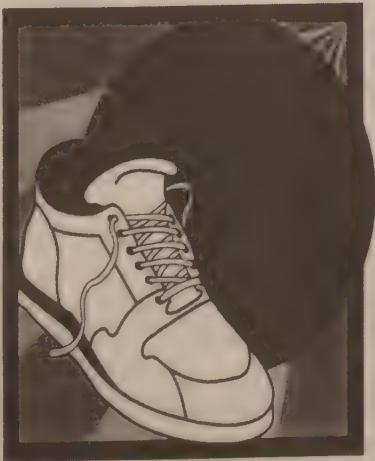
Courtesy Sports Information
Johns Hopkins senior swimmer Devin Balkcom and junior fencer Kevin Little were both named to the GTE District II College Division Men's Fall and Winter At-Large Team. The announcement came Monday afternoon. Johns Hopkins was one of just two schools to place two people on the 10-man team, which comprises athletes from NCAA Division II and III and NAIA colleges and universities in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland,

Delaware, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. All 10 people selected for the District II team will now go on the ballot for national Academic All-America honors. Balkcom was a First Team GTE Academic All-America last year and currently boasts a 3.89 cumulative grade point average as a computer science major. He recently helped the Blue Jay swimming team to a sixth-place finish at the NCAA III Championships as he placed sixth in the 200 free and ninth in the 100 free. He was also a member of the fourth-place 200 free and 200 medley relays and helped the 400 and 800 free and 400 medley relay teams to sixth-place finishes as well. A National Merit Scholar, Balkcom helped Hopkins to four straight UAA titles and four straight

NCAA Top 10 finishes, extending both of those streaks to 28 years. The streaks are believed to be the longest active streaks in the nation (NCAA III). Little boasts a 3.86 cumulative grade point average as a biomedical engineering major and was a key member of a Blue Jay fencing team which posted a 21-2 record on the season and won its fifth straight Middle Atlantic Collegiate Fencing Association (MACFA) title. Little won the UAA individual title in the foil as he posted an 18-4 record at the championships. He also earned First Team All-MACFA honors as he placed third at the MACFA Championships. He posted a 90-25 (.783) record on the season, including a 33-7 mark against MACFA opponents. He placed 23 at the NCAA championships at James Madison University

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- Palm Sunday Mass:**
April 5, 11am – Glass Pavilion
- Confessions:**
April 8, 7:30-9pm – Chaplain's Office (AMR I)
- Holy Thursday Mass followed by dinner:**
April 9, 6-8pm – Newman House, 2941 N. Charles St.
(will also have an opportunity for Confession)
- Good Friday Service:**
April 10, 12:05-12:45pm – Glass Pavilion
- Easter Vigil at SS. Philip and James:**
April 11, 7:30pm – 2801 North Charles St.
- Easter Sunday Mass:**
April 12, 11am – Glass Pavilion
- Easter Dinner:**
April 12, 4pm – Newman House, 2941 N. Charles St.
(RSVP required 410-243-6630)

Father Riepe is available for Confession or counseling from 10:15 – 11am every Sunday.
Any Questions? Please call Dave at 410-243-6630.

Taming the Villanova Wildcats

This Saturday, the Blue Jays take their number four ranking and go on the road to play the Villanova Wildcats who recorded a 7-7 record last season. Unlike their basketball prowess, the Wildcats by no means are a lacrosse powerhouse.

Perhaps the story line for this game will be the return of Dave Marks to Villanova to play against his father Randy, head coach of the Wild Cats.

The Jays seem to be on the rise of late. After going into the half tied 5-5 against the UNC, Hopkins unloaded for 11 second half goals en route to a 16-9 victory.

The extra-man offense proved to be a big difference for the Blue Jays, who converted on 3-of-8 opportunities. The biggest one, coming 1:36 into the second half by A.J. Haugen, gave Hopkins the lead for good at 6-5.

Offensively, Villanova will look to their go to guy, '97 MVP, senior Jeff Huber. Huber, a natural lefty with great ability to finish, was the team leader in goals (32), assists (18) and points (50) last season and has 18 points this season.

Joining Huber at attack will be sophomore Justin Loonie who has 5 goals and 5 assists this year. Loonie adds great quickness to the front line. Rounding out the trio is freshman Andrew Bogle, a Connecticut All-State team member from Wilton High School who this season has six goals and two assists.

At the midfield, sophomore Eric Daver returns as the Wildcats' top midfielder, who won team Rookie-of-the-Year Award while compiling 16 goals. Joining Daver at middle will be fellow sophomore Jack McTigue (who has 8 points this year) and Jun-

GEORGESOTERAKIS Short Hops

ior David D'Amico (9 goals this season). Senior face-off man Brian Rhodes won 168 out of 254 draws for a 66.1 percent, second best in the nation is one of the premiere face-off men in the country.

They will be up against a vastly improving Hopkins defense that has solidified itself in front of stand-out Bran Carcatera. Carcatera is making a habit of getting hot when the calendar closes in on April. In the last two games, he has posted 35 saves and allowed just 19 goals. Last season, he went on a six-game tear in April in which he allowed just 5.8 goals against.

The trio of Doerr, Paleologos and Shook have done a remarkable job of late, helping in having the Jays average only 9.5 goals against in the last two games. Another telling sign of the maturing defense is that they have allowed more than ten goals once since Princeton game and that was against Syracuse.

Offensively, the Jays have been asserting their dominance. Haugen has emerged as an offensive force after scoring four goals, including three straight against Carolina on Saturday. Haugen, Hopkins' best midfielder, consistently draws the long pole and a consistent double team, and still manages to make opposing defenses look silly.

Freshman Eric Wedin continues to dominate on face-offs. He won career-high 15 of 19 against the Tar Heels to up his season total to 69 of 108 (.639). It will be interesting to see how he matches up against

Villanova's Brian Rhodes.

Dave Marks continues to make his mark since regaining his starting job against Syracuse. He is second on the team in assists with 8. It will be interesting to see how some good ol' Pennsylvania home cooking treats him before he battles former teammates and his dad on Saturday.

The Wildcats will have a tough time handling the Jays offensive barrage and they will try to counter with a youthful defensive corps that returns only one starter, senior Andy Dupuis. Junior Evan Clancy and freshman Brian O'Hagan will round out the starting defense while freshman Blaine Mitten will see substantial playing time at both the close defense and pole positions.

Junior Richard Carter, who is recovering from a knee injury will be counted on to add depth to the defense. In the cage, senior Andrew Fabrizio was lost to graduation and thus coach Marks has to rely on the only returning goalie, Brendan Keneally, who saw action in eight games last season and had a .690 save percentage.

The bottom line for this game is that the Wildcats are just undermanned and less talented. The Jays are two and three deep at most of their positions while the Cats can only go one deep at most.

The offensive capabilities for the Jays outshine any defense that Villanova can put up against them. Defensively the Jays should try to use this game as another builder of both confidence and experience for its vastly improving defensive corps. This game shouldn't even be a contest.

News-Letter Prediction: Blue Jays 16-5

From pool boy to lax goalie

LEONMARATCHI Athlete of the Week

Few Hopkins students have led a more vibrant, experienced life than senior lacrosse goalie Vincent Erfe.

Erfe, a native Filipino, came to Hopkins with athletic and academic success in mind. A Psychology major with ambitions in banking or business administration, Erfe is enjoying his best season as a goal tender.

In Manila, Erfe worked as a pool cleaner at a local resort. "I loved working there. it gave me the chance to be outside and meet a lot of people."

"I really love the game, especially everything Hopkins has done for me, and this is just a little something I feel I should give back."

—VINCENT ERFE

When Erfe got to Hopkins he had never played lacrosse before, but long stick with a net he used while cleaning pools in Manila was a natural transition to the lacrosse stick he uses at Hopkins.

"When I got on campus I knew I wanted to get involved with lacrosse so I went to see Coach Seaman. I told him that I could contribute, and he let try out and I made it." After three years, Erfe is poised to start against Villanova this weekend over two year starter Brian Carcatera. He leap-frogged second string goalie Eric Kuschner to get his first collegiate start in goal.

"I was really pleased with coach's decision. I have been practicing hard all year and am ready to contribute."

"He's the man," said senior Kevin Kaiser about Erfe.



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Having played a few roles in his life, Erfe plays another in goal this weekend.

With a tune up against Villanova, Erfe should be ready to face number one ranked Maryland at home the following week.

Erfe spends his summer's as lacrosse ambassador to the Philippines. He started a lacrosse camp two summers ago to bring lacrosse to his friends and family.

"I really love the game, especially everything Hopkins has done for me, and this is just a little something I feel I should give back."

Erfe immigrated to Rhode Island when he was 16. He went to the Wheeler School and gained immediate fame. After playing the frog in a school production of *The Frog Prince*, Erfe had a bit role in

Jim Carrey's *Dumb and Dumber*.

"Besides, *Dumb and Dumber*, I have a role in a movie coming out next year called *Providence*."

To get a feel for American food, Erfe worked in a fast food restaurant when he arrived in the states.

"At first I loved the free lunch, but after a while I couldn't stand eating hamburgers three times a day."

Erfe is a true Renaissance man. Not only does he succeed on the field, but he also works at a prestigious brokerage firm in D.C. twice a week.

"I do market research for them. It will help me when I get out of college because that is what I want to do in the future."

Baseball's warming up spring

When the flowers bloom and the weather heats up, baseball is right around the corner.

As the season commences, the chase for a .400 average, 62 home runs, and other baseball records monopolizes many conversations. The reason for the hubbub is because baseball introduced two new expansion teams to the major leagues: The Arizona Diamondbacks and the Tampa Bay Devilrays. Each time that the leagues have expanded, the batting averages and ERA's have soared. This year should be no different. Here is a quick preview of the season to come:

The Constants

The consistent Cal Ripken Jr. will continue to break his own record every day without injury. Baltimore and New York, or more specifically, Peter Angelos and George Steinbrenner will compete with each other to see who can have a higher pay roll. Although fans of the teams get excited about the season before it starts, both teams will look drastically different following the trading deadline. The Yanks and Birds will rent players from poor teams who are out of the play-offs. Thus, it is absurd to even guess which team is going to be better at the end of the season, because their roster won't be set until the early August.

The Atlanta Braves pitching and lack of relief is a consistent factor going into the season. Maddux, Glavine, Smoltz, Neagle and now Denny Martinez or Kevin Milwood will be shutting down opposing bats all season long. It's expected that the big four give 230 innings and 30 starts. Although they have not dominated in the post-season, the Atlanta Braves will be remembered as one of the best teams of all time. The problem with the Braves will forever be their lack of bench, middle relief, or great manager. All three factors have been their downfall each time they have lost in the post-season.

This season, the Seattle Mariners will be every critics favorite. However, there is no chance of the Mariners going anywhere until they find someone who can hold a 10-0 lead in the ninth inning.

Their counterpart in the National League, the Colorado Rockies, vastly improved their pitching over the off-season. The typical 15-14 five hour marathon in Coors Field may not be as frequent.

Kansas City, Philadelphia, and Oakland will be very bad, as usual, with their only consolation lying in the fact that at least they're not trying to win.

The Variables:

The health of Mark McGuire and Juan Gonzalez is a variable. Juan Gonzalez may be the most underrated home-run hitter of the modern era (whatever that means). Since he

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has been in the league, he seems to always miss a month and half. Gonzalez is healthy for now, and if he stays that way, AND if Texas does not unload their talent mid-season, he will give as great of a challenge to Marris' record as will McGuire.

As the season

commences, the chase for a .400 average, 62 home runs, and other baseball records monopolizes many conversations.

McGuire's health has been just as shaky. McGuire, however, will be hitting in potentially the most explosive lineup: Ron Gant, Ray Lankford and

Brian Jordan. If McGuire can play in 150 games, he will break the record. He probably has a better chance at breaking the record at the All-Star game home-run hitting contest which will be played at Coors Field. This is the reason that while I am not the biggest fan of the All-Star activities, I will be glued to the set (like I'm not always) for the Home Run derby.

One of the biggest questions will be if the Dodgers can ever make anything of their five consecutive rookie of the year award winners, and their excellent pitching staffs. Maybe the Dodger Blue will finally live to expectations, and combine their incredible, speed, power, and pitching to dominate all of baseball. But then again, maybe they will continue to have little relief, a poor bench and even poorer defense.

Therein lies the variability.

What to look for

The baseball season will be exciting for the fans who enjoy high-scoring games, because with expansion there are twenty-two pitchers who do not belong in the Majors. But in the end, you can count on the highest paying rosters to make it to the post-season: New York, Baltimore, Cleveland, Seattle, Atlanta, St. Louis, Colorado and Houston.



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Saturday

Women's Lacrosse vs. Bryn Mawr, 1 pm

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Women's Tennis vs. Swarthmore, 1 pm

Thursday

Baseball vs. Gettysburg, 3:30 pm

SPORTLIGHT

Senior Matt Johnson of Johns Hopkins University became just the third person in NCAA Division III history to win the national championship in the same event four times when he captured the 100-yard butterfly at the 1998 NCAA Division III Swimming and Diving Championships.

SPORTS

Haugen spurs Jays' explosion

BY WAQAR HASIB
News-Letter Staff

Could they have picked a better time for Homecoming? The fourth-ranked Blue Jays ripped through ninth-ranked North Carolina 16-9 last Saturday afternoon in front of a packed Homewood Field, then tamed the Hartford Hawks in a lightning-shortened game Wednesday night by a score of 21-3.

Carolina kept the game close in the first half behind a strong performance from junior goalie Jason Harkness, going into the locker room tied with Hopkins at 5 apiece. But the Blue Jay offense came out firing after halftime, outscoring the Tar Heels 11-4 in the second half to seal the victory and push their record to 4-2 on the season.

"We played much better in the second half than we did in the first," said Head Coach Tony Seaman. "[In the second half] we shot the ball very well, controlled the faceoffs, and had a big advantage in groundballs."

Midfielders AJ Haugen and Andrew Godfrey combined for eight goals, four apiece, while senior attackman Dudley Dixon led the charge with five goals of his own. Dixon and Haugen teamed up to net a pair of goals in a six second span early in the third quarter to spark the Jays' second half run.

Haugen's four goals on the afternoon were a personal best, while Godfrey and Dixon tied their career highs. Dixon is beginning to look healthy after spending the preseason

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#9 North Carolina (2-5)		9

rehabilitating a torn knee ligament.

Senior attackman Dave Marks added three assists against UNC; Marks is now second on the team in assists with 8, including 4 since he moved into the starting lineup three games ago against Syracuse.

Hopkins continued to take advantage of extra-man opportunities, scoring on 3 of 8 chances with the Tar Heels playing a man down. Hopkins has converted 21 of 45 extra man opportunities on the season, including 17 of 29 (.586) in the last four games.

Hopkins has also looked strong on faceoffs of late. Freshman Eric Wedin shouldered the load against UNC, winning a career high 15 of 19; on the season he has won 69 of 108 (.639).

Sophomore Brian Carcaterra continued his prowess guarding the crease. He stopped 14 shots on the day, and now boasts an impressive 11.32 goals-against average. A survey in *College Lacrosse USA* recently named him the top goalie in the country.

In Wednesday night's action, the Blue Jays pounded the unranked Hartford Hawks, leading by 21-3 before lightning forced a suspension of play midway through the fourth quarter. The Hawks, who entered the game

winless in 5 attempts, were outmatched from the first faceoff, as midfielder Matt O'Kelly, Dixon, Haugen and Godfrey each netted goals in the first 2 minutes 33 seconds to give Hopkins a quick 4-0 lead.

Senior goalie Eric Kuchner gave Carcaterra a rest at goal, and did not yield a goal until the end of the first quarter. Hartford managed to put a goal on the scoreboard, but Hopkins overwhelmed them with crisp passing and a speedy attack to cruise to a 21-3 lead when the game was suspended midway through the fourth quarter.

Senior attackman Dylan Schlott led all scorers with 3 goals; Dixon and Haugen added two apiece. Schlott leads the team with 20 goals on the season.

This weekend the Blue Jays travel to Villanova before playing host to top-ranked Maryland next Saturday, April 11. If the Terps should win against Navy this weekend and stay in the top spot for next week's matchup with the Blue Jays, they would be the third No. 1 team to visit Homewood this year.

Hopkins opened with a loss to preseason favorites Princeton, and were narrowly defeated by the Syracuse Orangemen, who were in the top slot until Maryland unseated them last weekend. Syracuse and Princeton remain ahead of Hopkins in the standings. Syracuse hosts seventh-ranked Loyola, while Princeton faces off against Ivy League rival Brown.



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Freshman midfielder Eric Wedin had a career high 15 of 19 on faceoffs against University of North Carolina.

Swarthmore's Garnet cracks under Jays' assault

BY GEORGE C. WU
News-Letter Staff

When the Johns Hopkins women's lacrosse team heard the Swarthmore Garnets scream "Intensity!" after the half-time huddle of their game Tuesday, the Jays accepted it as a challenge.

A cohesive JHU defensive unit led by senior co-captain and starting goalie Anita Patibandla shut their opponent out in the second half, while sophomore Danielle Maschuci led the attack, keeping their Centennial foes' net warm all game with five goals and two assists, as Hopkins cruised to a 15-3 victory.

This is the Jays fourth straight win, after losing their season-opener, 15-4, to UNC. Hopkins is currently 4-1 overall and 3-0 in the Centennial Conference. They will travel to College of New Jersey today to meet the Lions. The Lions were ranked second in Division III, above third ranked Hopkins, in the CLUSA Preseason

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VISITOR		
Swarthmore (4-2, 1-1 c.c.)		3

Coaches Poll and will enter the game with a 62-game home winning streak.

Matching her seven-point performance against Gettysburg, Maschuci has already scored more than half the number of goals she tallied in her rookie season (35) and leads the team with 18 goals and 11 assists for 29 points.

Patibandla allowed only three goals all game, while making 11 saves. She has thus tallied 48 saves in five games, including the Muhlenberg match in which she played for only five minutes. She boasts a GAA of 7.60 and a 0.61 save percentage.

Anchoring the Blue Jay defense is junior Mimi Sokolowski, who has switched back-and-forth between the

attack and defense throughout her three-year career at JHU. Joining her are senior Maria Fontoura and junior Ramsey Neale. The two are constants on the defensive end, playing the most minutes on the squad.

"Our defense depends on everybody. We don't match-up one-to-one. We want to take risks and work extra-hard, and know that there's someone ready to pick up the attacker. Our philosophy has worked well and I'm really proud of the young defense in front of me," said Patibandla.

Despite an outstanding offensive effort from Garnet junior Holly Baker, who entered the game with 29 goals and 37 points, Hopkins was able to smother the Swarthmore attack. Baker is tied for first in the Centennial Conference in overall scoring and had scored at least five goals in all five of their games.

Eight JHU players made marks in the scoring column against the Garnet. Junior Neda Dawood continued her outstanding performances with

three goals, giving her 12 so far in the season. Fellow junior Nancy Kim terrorized the Garnet defense with her speed and ball-handling, as she added three more points to her season total with two assists and a goal.

Kim is second on the team with 18 points, including another team second of five assists. After surpassing her season career-high in goals with 10 goals in four games, senior co-captain Cathy Dancz earned Centennial Conference Honor Roll honors last week. Dancz hit two goals against Swarthmore, boosting her totals to 12 goals and 13 points.

Returning to the line-up Tuesday, was freshman starting center Jessica Popham, who scored one goal and tallied two assists. Dancz had been filling in for Popham at the position while the rookie was out with an injury.

Fontoura, Neale, and junior Laurie Better each scored a point against Swarthmore. In addition, freshman Lauren Carney and senior

Heather Pertel have benn two productive players coming off the bench for the Blue Jays this season.

Today's game between CNJ and Hopkins will be one of the top regular season matchups in Division III. Hopkins has never beaten the Lions and lost to them 14-5 last season.

The Blue Jays have advanced to the NCAA Semifinals in four of the last five years, while the College of Jersey has advanced to the NCAA Title game eight straight years. They have won the championship in seven of those eight years with the only defeat coming last season at the hands of Middlebury, which eliminated the Blue Jays in the semifinals.

"Our preparation for the game has been on-going. Our philosophy is to improve with every game. They are a quick team, so it will be a run-and-gun type game. I feel with the team we have, we can beat them," said Patibandla.

Hopkins resumes Conference play when they host Bryn Mawr Saturday.



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JHU women's lacrosse has beaten their opponents by an average margin of victory of 11.75 points in their last four games.

Baseball hit with first loss

BY DAVID POLLACK
News-Letter Staff

Riding a 12-game winning streak and still undefeated on the season, the varsity baseball team journeyed to Quick stadium last Wednesday to take on Widener College. Hopkins spotted the home team a 2-0 lead in the first inning before batting around in four of the next six innings and scoring a whopping 24 runs while the combination of Orlovsky, Flannery, Battsen and Harsh held Widener to a total of five. The victory was the largest in seven years for the Jays as John Christ lead the way, going six for seven on three doubles and three singles.

The next day, Hopkins returned home for a rematch against Coppin State. Unlike the last meeting, Coppin State made the game interesting, scoring eight runs in the first five innings to chase Blue Jay starter Adam Berke after only 4 and 2/3.

Unflustered, however, Jays manager Bob Babb calmly called to the bullpen for senior Chris Ciarallo. Ciarallo pitched out of the jam in the fifth and continued to pitch phenomenally, giving up only one hit through the next four innings, picking up six strikeouts, and walking none, on the way to his first win of the year.

Jaime Terranova, who leads the team in batting at an astronomical .529 clip, homered in the second inning to start the Jays scoring, while Christ's and Milo's back-to-backers in the fifth put the finishing touches on Hopkins' 11-8 come-from-be-

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Hopkins (16-1, 2-0 c.c.)		7

hind win.

Hopkins opened their Centennial conference schedule on Saturday afternoon as the Blue Jays treated the homecoming crowd to two victories, in a double-header against Franklin & Marshall.

In the first game, with Hopkins up 1-0 in the third inning, F&M appeared to be mounting a rally, putting runners on the corners with no one out and the top of the lineup coming up. Starting pitcher Scott Orlovsky remained calm however, getting the next man to hit into a 4-6-3 double play and then striking out the following batter, stopping the bleeding at one run and not allowing another the rest of the way.

"We're turning double plays left and right," Ciarallo pointed out, noting that this one in the third inning was already Hopkins' third of the game. "Karl's fielding is incredible and Kieck and Karson are up there too."

"We saw them fired up to play," Johnny Craig added after the 9-1 win. "And that got us fired up."

In the second game of the double dip, the Hopkins bats picked up where they left off. The first three hits of the game were all round trippers as Christ, Milo and Craig hit back-to-back-to-back homers in the first in-

ning. In the second inning, Craig went deep again, this time nailing a three run shot to put JHU up by 9 and helping to bury the Diplomats 13-3.

Of his seven long balls on the year, five more than his season total for last year, Craig would only say that "hitting behind John (Christ) and (Steve) Milo, I see a lot of good pitches. Everyone on the team is hitting," Craig went on to say. "If two or three guys are having a slow day, everyone else picks them up."

Unfortunately, no amount of offense would be enough in JHU's next match at Kean College. The Jays were forced to travel to New Jersey without three of their seniors and the result was the end of their undefeated season and their 16 game winning streak. Starting pitcher Kevin Eades saw his 1-0 second-inning lead disappear quickly in the bottom of the second as Kean hit two bombs including a grand slam to chase him.

Babb used six pitchers in attempt to curtail the offensive barrage, but nothing worked. Hopkins came out on the short end of a 25-7 score, wasting a 13-hit offensive performance.

"I think we underestimated them," Ciarallo said after the game. "But it's good that we know that we're not invincible now. There are teams out there as good as we are. It was a awakening and now we move on."

Hopkins plays only conference rivals for the next five games but Ciarallo words will be all to important when JHU squares off against 15th ranked Montclair state at the end of the month.



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Safe! The 1998 Johns Hopkins baseball team slides into new season with 16-1 start.

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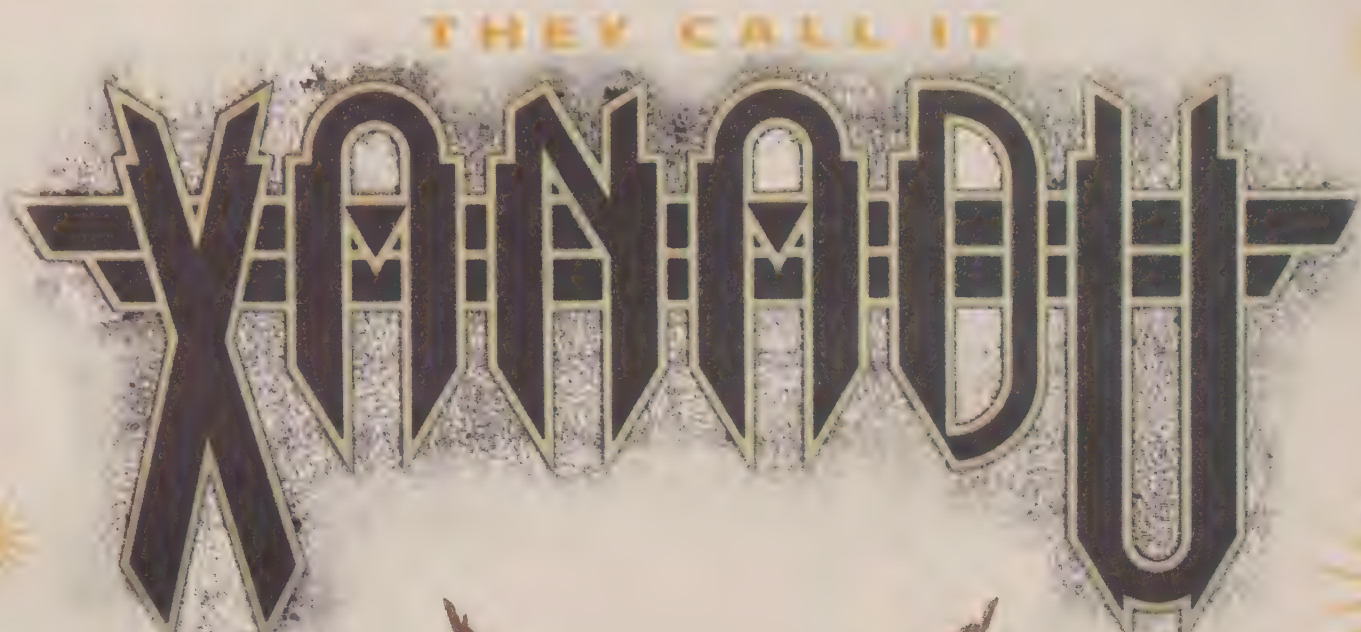
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As one *Olivia Newton-John* classic hits theaters, we can't forget her best musical



BY LANCE WAHLERT
News-Letter Staff

Last week, *Grease* was re-released in movie theaters throughout the country. The film that sold millions of albums and reinforced the popularity of its two main stars, Olivia Newton-John and John Travolta, remains one of the most successful and popular film musicals ever.

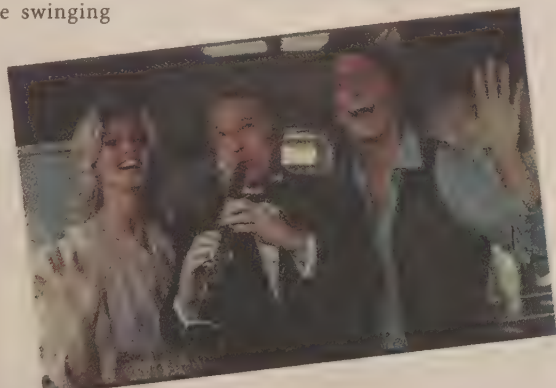
But it cannot compete with Newton-John's best and most outrageous musical: *Xanadu*.

Directed by Robert Greenwald, *Xanadu* is the story of a down-on-his-luck painter (Michael Beck) who longs to escape from his dull job of recreating album covers for billboards.

One day, he encounters a blonde beauty on rollerskates (Newton-John). She kisses him and skates away. Later, that same girl mysteriously appears on an album cover he is supposed to paint.

What he doesn't know is that this beauty on wheels is really a Muse named Kyra who is also a daughter of Zeus. She and her dozen sisters were part of a mural on a wall in California, when they came magically to life to inspire modern artists. Kyra and the painter fall in love, though, breaking the number one rule for Muses: "Inspire the artist, then get the hell out of there!"

Gene Kelly also stars in *Xanadu*. It's a long cry from *Singing in the Rain*, but Kelly is a trooper. He plays a retired bandleader from the 1940s who, inspired by Kyra, decides to open a music hall called Xanadu. There the swinging



cool of the big band era meets the Solid Gold-style rock of the 1980s. The song "Dancin'" is a tribute to this synthesis of musical styles.

Surprisingly, the beauty of the movie does not reside in its plot. Instead, *Xanadu's* catchy and fun music illuminates the dancing, skating, strobe lighting mystery of the film.

A musical at heart, the film is complete with a wide array of song and dance numbers. Most of them are created in such a way as to highlight the talents of Newton-John, who can sing, dance and act her way through anything. Country rodeo cowgirl; World War II big band chanteuse; leopard-clad, rock-and-roll tart—Newton-John has got it all in *Xanadu*. If you thought her transformation at the end of *Grease* was impressive, you ain't seen nothing. "Magic" is a classic from the soundtrack. Etherial and synthetic in that 80s mode, it's a song that screams "Neon!"

Also, who can resist Newton-John's vocal stylings on the fantastic "Suddenly"? The way that she harmonizes so beautifully with Cliff Richard; the way that she makes this ballad feel like it belongs on rollerskates; the way she says "I'll take care that no illusions... <pause> shatter." Oh, Olivia.

She is certainly the star of the film, but the songs by Electric Light Orchestra that appear on the score are the backbone of the film.

Chief among these is "I'm Alive." If you've seen *Xanadu*, no doubt you have a hard time erasing that beautiful image of air-brushed Muses emerging from a graffiti-clad wall. What a sight!

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When undergrads and alumni come face to face...

BY BARBARA KIVIAT
News-Letter Staff

Four days back into the weekday grind, and most of us have probably already forgotten the lighthearted and study-free hours of 1998 Homecoming weekend. For two fun-packed days and nights, we were consumed by lacrosse mania and sunbathing on the Beach, but now it is back to the academic quads for us all. Yet before we get too bogged down with the usual lecture notes and lab write-ups, let us take a moment to reflect back on Homecoming 1998 with its sporting events, cookouts, and, oh, the alumni. Blended in with the current student body, yet just slightly perceptible by reminiscent looks and lingering eyes, the alumni were among us.

This past weekend, the Hopkins students of yesteryear were on campus once again, visiting with old friends, reliving the past, and of course, watching lacrosse. Aside from general Homecoming activities, alumni from many different Hopkins organizations also partook in special alumni-oriented events. From fraternities and sororities to the varsity swimming and crew teams to Habitat for Humanity and the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, groups honored, and in most cases barbecued with, alumni. Events ranged from the

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likes of a formal dinner at a Baltimore hotel for graduated Hopkins swimmers to casual cookouts and NCAA games at fraternity houses.

As the alumni circulated about campus with some of their old extracurricular organizations, current undergraduates had opportunities to talk to those people who have already left the boundaries of Homewood. What did the alumni have to say to their present-day counterparts?

As Richard Hofmann, a Phi Kappa Psi fraternity pledge, said, "Certainly, a lot of them talked about the good old days at Hopkins," but conversations with

alumni surpassed swapping stories of college glory days. At Phi Psi, as the fraternity is popularly known, brothers talked with alumni about career paths, and graduate school opportunities in between games of football and three-on-three basketball.

Salah Goss, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority sister, and chair of a committee which organized an alumni lunch, found that alumni also took an interest in what is happening now at Hopkins, and how the school has changed since their tenures.

Across the board, students enjoyed time spent with alumni, but how much of this enjoyment came from the creeping suspicion that those who make friends with alumni get checks from alumni? Alumni donations support, in part, many Hopkins organizations, but how prevalent was this reality in alumni events over Homecoming weekend? As Eran Penini, a junior in the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity said, "You start bonding, and it goes beyond, 'Is he going to give money?'" Penini continued to say that the main focus of the weekend was not financial gain, but rather, "to hang out with guys who you have a lot in common with."

Indeed, being united with alumni
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sigh... it's great to be back on campus again for homecoming

yeah... chicks! chicks and wine coolers!

chillin' in the AMRS!

mackin' on women at the beach!



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HOMECOMING STATS

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Last weekend, over 500 Hopkins alumni returned to campus to participate in 1998 Alumni Reunions at Homecoming. This event was held specifically for the younger alumni, though several older folks were spotted around campus as well. The Classes of 1973, 1978, 1983, 1988 and 1993 returned for their class reunions, but all alumni who graduated between the years of 1970 and 1997 were invited to attend. Their older counterparts will return en masse to campus April 24 through 26. Having two Homecoming weekends allows the organizers to cater events to the interests of alumni of different age groups, according to Alumni Programs Coordinator Suzy Bacon. Also, there are not enough facilities on campus to accommodate all the alumni in one weekend.

Though the grand totals of those in attendance over the weekend are still being calculated, here are some rough estimates, courtesy of Bacon.

- At least 510 alumni reserved a spot at Homecoming 1998.
- At least 625 people, including alumni and their families and guests, attended the alumni luncheon.

- The following numbers of alumni are estimated to have attended their respective class dinners:

Class of 1973	80 alumni
Class of 1978	80 alumni
Class of 1983	45 alumni
Class of 1988	90 alumni
Class of 1993	150 alumni

Bacon theorizes that the Class of 1993 dinner had the largest attendance because many of its participants also wanted to attend the Saturday night party at E-Level that followed it.

The crowd count from last year's Homecoming was fairly

similar to this year's:

- Last year, 913 alumni and 585 guests attended the Homecoming for the younger classes, totaling 1498 participants.
- Class reunions had the following numbers of alumni in attendance last year:

Class of 1972	84 alumni
Class of 1977	93 alumni
Class of 1982	82 alumni
Class of 1987	87 alumni
Class of 1992	147 alumni

As for last year's Homecoming for the older alumni, attendance was a bit lower:

- Five hundred alumni and 467 guests attended the second Homecoming weekend last year, for a total of 967 people in attendance.
- The breakdown of alumni at each class reunion last year is as follows:

Class of 1932	8 alumni
Class of 1937	25 alumni
Class of 1942	29 alumni
Class of 1947	26 alumni
Class of 1952	56 alumni
Class of 1957	55 alumni
Class of 1962	38 alumni
Class of 1967	56 alumni

Bacon expects a big turn-out for the second Homecoming weekend this year. The Class of 1943 will return for its 55th reunion and that class, Bacon says, is "huge." Two classes actually graduated that year—one in October and one in February—so that they could leave Hopkins and go to fight in World War II. Though the war gave the Class of 1943 a high mortality rate, there are about as many alumni remaining as in the Class of 1948, which will be returning for its 50th reunion. Both classes are very active and enthusiastic about reunions, and Bacon is looking forward to seeing them around campus in a few weeks.

Alums and undergrads: Telling them apart

BY YOUNG CHANG
News-Letter Staff

Strolling through campus with the demeanor of a war hero returned from the battlefields, there is an invisible spotlight shining on this select group of people. It's not the formal attire, nor the heads of graying hair. It's not the small white sticker tags tacked hastily onto the bottom of their shirts, nor the sweaty pamphlets rolled in the clutches of their palms. It's the way they look at Hopkins, the way their eyes smile fondly at the MSE, something achievable only after having left. It's the way they saunter confidently yet casually, as if the entire world was theirs to grace. Their spotlight reflects times past, and as you observe them, you can't help but envy

them a little.

But the catch is, for these Hopkins alumni, Hopkins is not their world anymore.

Last weekend marked the 1998 Alumni Reunions at Homecoming, a time when alumni visit their alma mater and muse about the good ol' days. The nostalgic weekend included everything from a "wine and cheese" at the News-Letter Gatehouse to an All-Class Alumni Homecoming Party in Levering Hall.

Some alumni wore small tags exhibiting their names; most did not. But their graduated status was evident nonetheless, and the following were the three most marked giveaways.

For women, the conspicuous detail was in fact a very inconspicuous

accessory—the thinly strapped handbag. As undergraduates are always loaded down with 10-pound textbooks and stacks of notebooks, the handbag is rarely worn around campus. And if, at some rare occasion, one does sport this miniature tote, there is usually a strapless gown to accompany it. But for female alumni this weekend, whose backs were bare of Jansports and arms free of textbooks, their only bodily hindrance was usually the brown or black leather handbag.

For men, it was the tucked-in shirts. As you all know, undergraduates men rarely have the time or desire to iron their button-down shirts, much less tuck them in, but these alumni boast a certain leisure in their somewhat formally assembled attire.

In their hands-shoved-in-pockets stroll and tidy appearance, it is clear that they *have* the time to tuck in their polo shirts and strut rather than run. In their affectionate gazes across campus, it is clear that they are distanced enough from the toils of the undergraduate experience.

But freshman Tom Gutting says of this distinction, "It just means that we still know how to relax and have a good time." This irony is worth examining.

If we are dressed leisurely, does this mean we are in the state of leisure, or does it imply the exact opposite—that we are too caught up in the tangle of undergraduate life to care the least bit about what we look like?

And lastly, for the few older alumni spotted on campus, the tell-tale indicator was the stare. Without knowing that last weekend was alumni weekend, without knowing that these distinguished-looking, white-haired senior citizens were not parents of current Hopkins students, this class of elderly alumni were easiest to identify.

When grandparents look at grandchildren, their eyes are often gentle and smiling, exuding adoration and pride with every glance. Walking along campus, I found myself being stared at in this manner by nearly every individual I suspected and later confirmed to be an alum. The kind, crescent-shaped eyes seemed to be saying, "yes you poor thing, we went through it once too," and the twinkle in their starry eyes matched the friendly shine of sunlight bouncing off their bald heads.

They say the "real world" is ugly and mean. Graduates sputter endlessly about the comforts we, as undergraduates, take for granted, and the financially independent shake their heads upon the thought of still living on parents' money. But all this aside, won't it be great if we can one day walk past Mudd, Gilman or Shaffer, the very buildings in which we are presently determining the rest of our lives, and think to ourselves, "Ah, the good ol' days?"

Alums come a-knockin'

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with whom you share a common thread can be a true bonding experience, but all alumni encounters this weekend did not need an organized event to be profound. At two in the morning Saturday night, or Sunday morning as it were, a knock came at my door, just as I was about to get into bed. Groggily, I opened the door, and there two strangers stood. Alumni. They had been here four years ago, and they wanted to see my room. Or rather, the man who had lived in room 408 for two semesters, a college education ago, wanted to see his room. They came in, looked around, and briefly talked about how the room used to be. They didn't say much; they took in the room, thanked me, and left. Perhaps the best stories that alumni have to tell are told without any words at all.

Anyway, at the end of the year, as you flee from Baltimore City, celebrating the release from academic strain, take a moment to look back before you get too far away. Think about our alumni, think about their stories of good times at the Hop, and think about how they looked at the end of the weekend, when they left campus yet again. As you head off to internships, jobs or home this summer, slow down the pace and remember that what you are leaving is also home.



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Hundreds of Blue Jay fans eagerly watched the Homecoming 98 Lacrosse game against UNC.

A flux of Hopkins alumni, family and friends filled the Homewood Campus with life last weekend. This week's focus takes a look back to the homecoming.

College: The years before real life



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News-Letter Staff

This past weekend, hundreds of Blue Jay alumni flocked to the 140-acre nest of the Homewood Campus for Homecoming 1998. Fresh alumni who graduated only last year gladly rushed back to the campus for some refuge from the "real world" and to get together with their college buddies. Older alumni who recently became parents braved the trip to Baltimore with baby bags, baby mobiles, baby harnesses and of course, their cutie babies. Older alumni who've long since been parents "dragged" their kids along to show them their alma mater, to which they might be expected to attend in the near future. Even older alumni who might have their grandchildren playing in the Blue Jay Lacrosse team also came to grace the Homewood Field with their wisdom and lifelong histories. Many came with family and friends to enjoy the lacrosse game or other events and activities. Others just opted to take a

stroll around the campus, holding the hand of their significant others.

So...what is it about the "college years" that will make you come back year after year? In a recent poll in USA Today, a good chunk of the adults, about half, said that they would like to stay in the ages from 15-25 for "the rest of their lives if they could." If you're the exact numbers type: 34% of the men preferred to remain at ages 15-20; 29% of the men preferred to remain at ages 21-25; 20% of the women preferred to remain at ages 15-20; and 28% of the women preferred to remain at ages 21-25.

Well, you've already heard of "the answer" many times before: "The college years are the best years of your life." Are they? How so?

No responsibilities. Party! No obligations. Party! No family, no career. Party! Did I mention, parties?

All kidding aside, the "carefree freedom" that college students have from not having the "baggage of the real world" is wonderful. What is

more important and profound is that all the possibilities are open to you; right now—anything is possible in your life. "Your whole life is out there for you," so to speak. But this, oftentimes, becomes the college students' "baggage." That your life is up to your choosing is great, but sometimes this "ooh all the possibilities" becomes an uncertainty about your future and even your present life. In fact, college students do have responsibilities and obligations, even though they may not be exactly like having a family or a career. They have deadlines, tests, papers, work and other responsibilities to the people in their lives. Although not meeting a deadline for a paper may not be as dire as not meeting a deadline in the real world, doing well on a test is just as real as to the student. Worrying and stressing over a paper is the college student's life. This is our career, this is what we do! This is our life!

Often, it's easy to fall into the thinking that "being in school" is a life in transition, which indeed it is. However, this "life in transition" is our life now. So...we have to enjoy it and make it count now. And as our alumni know, we can have this "carefree freedom" only for so long. You have four years, more or less, before you get that piece of paper and you are sent off into the world to find a job, a career, maybe make your own family or what have you, that will make you wish for this kind of freedom again. Life is good now. Life will be good later too, but make this one count. But you already knew that.

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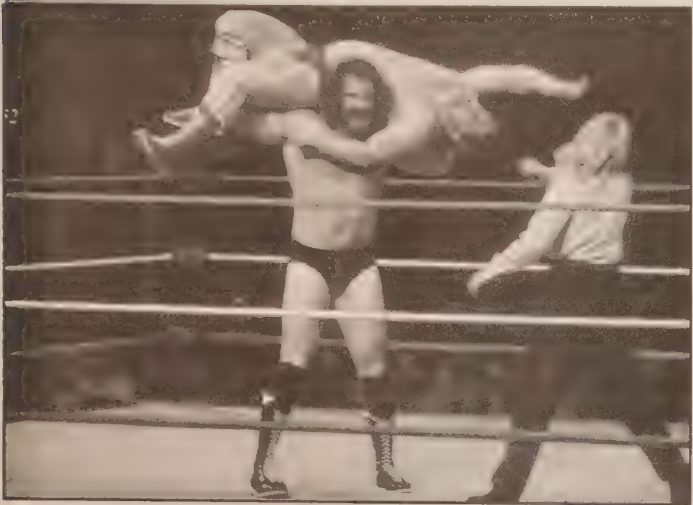
WWF: Where real athletes shine

Want to see Pete Rose get tombstoned by the wrestler Kane, who was disfigured by his older brother, the Undertaker, who was also responsible for the death of his parents and had been locked in a casket, which was set on fire a few weeks ago? My first Wrestle Mania was quite

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Wrestling Commentator

an evening. I got to see all this and much more. It made me wish I had started watching it back in 1984. Sunday night marked the fourteenth Wrestle Mania, promising show-downs between all the big name wrestlers and Mike Tyson appear-



Top: Whoa. Check out that awesome old-school backbreaker! And you call the sport 'fake'. Left: Roddy Piper puts Hogan in a sleeper hold.

Taj Mahal of the multiplexes

White Marsh Theatres dish out more than popcorn and a flick

My friend and I have set ourselves a lofty goal. One day, we are going to skip lunch and dinner. We will intentionally starve ourselves the entire day, and, come late evening, we will watch a movie at White Marsh Theatres, she holding the combo tray of popcorn shrimp and curly fries, and me with an enormous bucket of chicken wings in my lap. We will probably have to take a third person, though, because neither of us will have the hands to hold a tray of nachos.

Loews Theatres at White Marsh is reportedly the second highest gross-

What is so bothersome about watching someone else carry a heaping stack of nachos or wings into your theater?

ing Loews Theatres in the U.S., the first being a location in Manhattan. Maybe it's the stadium style set—up of the chairs that works around the problem of the tall guy in front of you with the colossal head. Maybe, for some, it's the well-cushioned, springy seats that make you want to fall asleep. Maybe it's the 16 different theaters

ing with Degeneration X. I couldn't wait to see overweight oily men in speedos jump on top of each other. The history of conflict between the wrestlers who were about to match up preceded each bout. Sophomore Paulina Pobocha, a fellow viewer of the mania, commented that "wrestling is a soap opera for white trash men." But this isn't some frilly daytime crap. These fights are decided in the ring, and each confrontation further thickens the conflicts. Luna was ready to rearrange WWF sex kitten Sable's Estée Lauder face. Bad Ass, or Mr. Ass, as it states on the rear of his speedo, wanted revenge against Cactus Jack and Chainsaw Charlie for sending him to the hospital after throwing him in a dumpster. The Undertaker didn't

want to fight his own flesh and blood, but was forced to save face after being burned alive in a locked casket. Ken Shamrock, as always, wanted to slam The Rock, and Stone Cold, the toughest SOB in the WWF, wanted to reclaim the championship belt from pretty boy Shawn Michaels. And luckily for them, the

Standing to the side in a shirt proclaiming "S*ck It" and being the convicted rapist and ear-riporffer that he is, one would expect a little more action from this guy.

referee always has his back turned during an illegal maneuver. All were fighting for some kind of belt. Either the Light Heavyweight belt, the European belt, the Intercontinental Championship belt, or the main, important belt fought for at the end that has some name that I forget. The Iberian Peninsula belt, the Near Eastern belt and the New Guinean belt didn't seem to make it on the Pay Per View special, but I'm sure they were equally as exciting. Jerry Lawler and Jim Ross, the announcers for the event, were clad re-

spectively in a red jacket with fringe with no shirt, and a black cowboy hat with an official WWF jacket. Rebuking all types of political correctness, they described the Japanese wrestler as a kamikaze flying through the air and the Mexican wrestler as running for the border. Their lack of decorum didn't cease when Sable and Luna broke into a "Catfight," either. In eloquent play—by—plays of the action, the announcers described wrestlers as "tougher than government mules," used the word "asinine" more than three times, and referred to the fighters as "dumb idiots" throughout the entire program. Those who were lured in by Pay Per View to dish out the forty dollars in order to see Mike Tyson wrestle must have surely been disappointed. While proclaiming to be part of Degeneration X, and placing his arms into a cross over his crotch while humping wildly, Tyson seemed very enthused, yet was not very active in the ring. Standing to the side in a shirt proclaiming "S*ck It" and being the convicted rapist and ear-riporffer that he is, one would expect a little more action from this guy. But, with a dumb grin on his face, Tyson defected from Degeneration X and helped Stone Cold win the important, main belt. What an "asinine" ending. Without a doubt, the best part of the evening, rivaling even playmate Sable's body slam and the Undertaker's destruction of the Spanish announcers' table, was Stone Cold Steve Austin's NC-17

Princess Zelda was my first love

A sentimental, misty-eyed look at old-school video games

Why was my spring break so boring? Probably because I went home. Indiana isn't the most exciting place to be in mid-March. Or any time of the year, for that matter. Thank goodness for video games. They saved me one more time from a painful week of daytime television filled with Judge Judy and As the World Turns.

You might say that I'm too old to waste my time with kids' stuff like that. But then I'd know you're a faculty member or my parents. They just can't appreciate the hours of pleasure video games provide. Can you remember the first time you played Nintendo? Of course you can. It's like the Kennedy assassination of our generation. You will never forget where you were when you first took hold of that gray plastic controller and began furiously pounding the "A" and "B" buttons. I remember when I first played Super Mario Brothers. I was in FAO Schwartz at the Water Tower Place in Chicago. It was 1986. And it changed my life. But I didn't get my own Nintendo until a year later. It took a whole year of saving my three-dollar a week allowance and abstaining from penny candy, but I finally got my own bundle

of video game joy. From then on, I spent seven hours a day in front of the TV enjoying the intellectually-stimulating challenges provided by Blades of Steel, Rampage, RBI Baseball (the original), Gauntlet, The Legend of Zelda, and Double Dribble. I would spend all day playing, until my thumbs were so sore that I couldn't stand it anymore. Eventually my skin got used to the abuse, and I could spend basically all day in video game heaven. The only problem was that Nintendo was coming out with more and more quality games too fast. My allowance couldn't keep up, even when it was subsidized by heavy sales of lemonade at street-side stands. I wanted to share in the excitement of Super Mario Brothers 2 and the other sequels that were coming out. But I simply couldn't keep up financially. So I spent the next five years convincing myself that it really didn't matter if I had the newest, coolest games that everybody else was buying because I had loyalty to the classics. At least I enjoyed myself, though. I especially liked the fact that I could get acquainted with the nooks and crannies of every game I owned. My brother and I used to stay up all night playing Gauntlet, just to see if there actually was an ending to the game. We made it as high as level 223 one time. But the stupid game never ends. We did the same thing with Rampage, which, if you didn't take the time to find out yourself, does have an ending. Original RBI Baseball, though, was probably the game I spent the most time with. Who could resist? Even if the little men ran so slow that every hit turned into a triple, the fireworks on home runs made it all worthwhile. And they even used real players. It let me relive the glory of the 1986 Mets, even during the years of struggle after Darryl Strawberry left. Unfortunately, the past two years

or so I've pretty much forgotten about Nintendo. Nor have I gotten into these new, high-tech game systems, from Super Nintendo to Sega, down to all those N-64 and PlayStation things. The games are spectacular. Madden 97, 98, or whatever (they even come out every year, so you can have the latest roster changes!) is so realistic that your body feels as if you've been through an entire NFL game after playing. And I must admit that Goldeneye for N-64 is probably one of the greatest games of all time. But,

frankly, they are just too complicated. The standard video game principles of killing, destruction, and sports are there, but it's just too hard to play. The controllers have so many buttons on them, I'm afraid that I'll launch the entire U.S. nuclear arsenal if I press the wrong combination. When I tried to play PlayStation, I just couldn't figure out the game. People were yelling at me, but I couldn't understand what they meant. They kept screaming, "No! No! Push 'z' and 'star' and 'triangle' and then do a round up to the left with the arrows!" We've come a long way from A, B, Start, and Select. And I don't think this progress is for the better. Something is lacking with these newfangled video game systems. Sure, the games are technologically superior, but they lack the charm of the original Nintendo. But of course that's what people who loved Atari went through when Nintendo came out.



and skill. Though they put on a front, these men are real athletes. In the ring, they get their legs broken. Their faces bleed. Some even need to be sent to the hospital after a match. Some people think that wrestling is fake, but why would the wrestlers go to all that trouble if it wasn't real? Wrestle Mania XIV might have had a soap opera plot, but it was, nonetheless, definitely a raw sporting event.

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Spring Break in Chi-town

Yes, I am fully aware of the fact that most often hard-working, college students look forward to traveling to some special, tropical paradise for their spring break vacations. Whether it be the beautiful beaches of Jamaica, or the unmatched night life of Cancun, college students follow their calling to that spring break vacation spot of their dreams.

However, some college students experience quite a different spring break calling. Why bask in the warm Caribbean sun when you could be surrounded by the non-stop excitement of Chicago, they ask themselves. A reasonable question to some, a strange question to others.

Well, to me and Hopkins students Kara Wiard and Sulin Chen, this question made perfect sense. So off we went, to a Spring Break spent Chi-town style.

Friday, March 13; Day 1: We flew

out of BWI on a Southwest flight headed towards the Chicago Midway Airport. From Midway, we drove about twenty-five minutes to the Chicago suburb of Wheaton, Illinois, which is located forty minutes west of the city. Kara, a Chicago native, is from Wheaton. It was in this quaint little suburb where we set up camp for our Chi-town adventures. Lucky for Miss Wiard, she served as our Chicago tour guide for the next couple of days.

Saturday, March 14; Day 2: We hopped on the commuter train, which took us from Wheaton to center-city Chicago. Visiting on St. Patrick's Day weekend definitely helped us to get a great taste of Chicago culture at its best. Almost everyone in the city was sporting their green-colored clothing and Irish paraphernalia, in honor of the coming holiday, while watching Chicago's famous St. Patrick's Day Parade. The friendly, happy atmosphere of the city stood

enhanced by this celebration. Whether you were in the parade or just watching, you couldn't help but have a great time. Irish music blared

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as everyone from traditional jig dancers to fun-loving, drunk Irish made their way down Chicago's State Street.

After spending a good deal of our morning and early afternoon entrenched in the thriving Irish culture of Chicago, we decided to take a taffy apple break. Mmm, mmm good. Next stop after the candy shop, the subway station, which soon became our second home. We mainly used the L to get around the city during the course of our visit. The system itself is extremely easy to use, as long as you don't mind the frequent stops and

Why bask in the warm Caribbean sun, when you could be surrounded by the non-stop excitement of Chicago?

the interesting characters you might meet along the way. While on the L, we passed by the famous Wrigley Stadium, and all of the rooftop stands which line its perimeters. See? You can even manage to do a little sightseeing while you're on your fun-filled L ride.

Our final stop: Evanston, Illinois, home of Northwestern University. My best friend from home, Molly Cahill, is a theater major at Northwestern. Remember the name, folks, because one day you'll see it in lights on Broadway. Molls served as our Evanston tour guide as we took some time to walk around the town,



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Chicago: the perfect Spring Break destination? Why not?

as well as Northwestern's campus. We, of course, took another snack break at the St. Louis Bread Company. Let me tell you, no bagel shop out here on the east coast can compare to this one.

That night, we met up with Hopkins student Katie Mangum, who lives in Evanston. The five of us ventured back into the city to enjoy some fine Italian dining at Chicago's very own Tucci Milan's restaurant. This restaurant is located at the corner of Hubbard and State Streets. We took the L from Evanston to the Chicago's famous Merchandise Mart, and walked from there.

At Tucci Milan's we met up with some of Kara's good friends from Wheaton, Dana and Saba. We sat and enjoyed our night out on the town and our great company, for over three hours. Chicago was definitely alive that night. All the Irish bars were packed and the people all seemed extra friendly. I wonder why? Let me tell you, there's never a dull moment in Chicago on St. Patty's Day weekend. We all left the city late that night, and took the L back into Evanston.

Sunday, March 15; Day 3: The next morning, we left Evanston after

having a delicious breakfast at Clark's restaurant with our host, Molly. We took the L, once again, into the city and spent the entire afternoon inside The Art Institute of Chicago. Masterpiece paintings, from George Seurat's *A Sunday Afternoon On The Island of La Grande Jatte* to Vincent Van Gogh's *Bedroom in Arles*, adorned the walls of the institute. My favorite section of the Institute, however, was the Thorn Miniature Rooms display. These room models recreated the typical architecture, decoration, and ambiance found in homes of various time periods, all over the world. Before we left, we naturally had to pay a visit to The Art Institute's gift shop. The shop provides a wonderful selection of museum memorabilia, including posters of famous works hanging in the Institute.

Monday, March 16; Day 4: Monday was our big Chicago touring day. We started with none other than the Sears Tower, and made our way up to the observation deck. The view was absolutely phenomenal. The observation deck definitely serves as a great way to get a feel for the layout of the city. After visiting Sears Tower, we took a walking tour of Chi-town. We walked all the way from the famous

Chicago loop to Michigan Avenue.

On the Avenue, we visited the Wrigley Building, the Tribune Tower, the Hancock Building, and eventually, the Drake Hotel. The Tribune Tower is built from stones collected from all over the world. From the Parthenon in Athens, Greece to Maryland's Fort McHenry, the Tribune Tower truly has an international collection.

However, out of everything we visited on Michigan Avenue, the quality of the numerous stores and shops impressed us the most. Outstanding department stores and shopping malls line the Avenue, as Chicago challenges New York to a fashion showdown.

Tuesday, March 17; Day 5: It was time to say bye-bye to our Chicago family, the Wiards. Before we left, Mrs. Wiard had, of course, prepared little St. Patrick's Day gifts for our return flight home. So, off Sulin and I went on our Southwest flight which departed at 1:20 p.m., and not 1:40 p.m. Yes, we almost missed our flight. But that would not have been a problem. No problem at all, really. It would have just left us another day to enjoy wonderful Chi-town.



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Sulin Chen, Kara Wiard, and Joanna Michell pose in front of a Maryland stone on their Spring Break trip to cold and breezy Chicago. Were they crazy, going to the Windy City when everyone else headed south? Michell doesn't think so.

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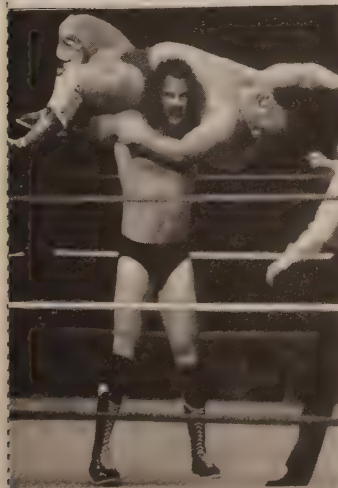
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TOYOTA everyday

Like good neighbors, Hopkins tutors are there

BY KARIN CAIFA
News-Letter Staff

While taking an afternoon stroll past Levering, you might find yourself in the midst of a flurry of yellow school buses, chirping children and frantic undergrads. A few hours later, tranquillity is once again restored, and the only remaining sign of what occurred may be a sidewalk sprinkled with colored chalk designs. This artwork is the doing of some of Baltimore's inner-city school children.

"Aren't they a little young to be taking classes here?" you might ask. These youngsters are not here to take lessons from professors, but from your fellow undergrads. Many Hopkins students lend their time and energy to the Hopkins Tutorial Project, and share their knowledge and patience with an inner-city child who needs it.

The Hopkins Tutorial Project is one of the many volunteer organizations operating out of the JHU Office of Volunteer Services (OVS), directed by Bill Tiefenwirth. Student volunteers work one-on-one with inner-city elementary school children, ages six to twelve, to improve basic math and reading skills.

The children attend two tutoring sessions per week, either on Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday. The student director for the Monday/Wednesday program is Jessica Karl, a senior. Junior Kelly Hanley is in charge of the Tuesday/Thursday program. Their supervisor is Weslie Wornum of OVS.

Both Karl and Hanley cited their love for volunteer work as a motivation for getting involved with the program. Hanley became a tutor after signing up at the Student Activities Fair during the fall of her freshman year; Karl has been a tutor since she was a sophomore. Both began as tutors, were promoted to organizers, overseers of the tutors, and were appointed to directorship at the beginning of this school year. Karl will graduate this May, but Hanley hopes to remain a director next year as well. They both commit about fifteen hours per week to the program.

Approximately 50-55 students and Hopkins tutors participate in each session, and are supervised by

seven organizers. The students come from elementary schools in the Baltimore City School System. For those students whose parents cannot provide them with transportation, and shuttle service is provided from their schools to Homewood and back to their neighborhoods, so that all interested children have an opportunity to participate.

One of the essentials to ensuring the program's success is correctly matching up each child with a tutor. "Our hope is to foster a bond that goes beyond just helping with homework," said Karl.

After tutors complete an intense training program, they are paired with a very carefully selected student. The student program organizers administer math and reading tests to all children at the start of the program to determine strengths and weaknesses. The organizers also take note of the child's extracurricular interests and his or her personality. A folder containing all this information is put before the organizers during their "match-up meeting," where they team up tutors and tutees. The right match is just the first step towards success.

The Tutorial Project offers more to these inner-city children than just reading, writing and arithmetic. "We like to incorporate different educational and cultural activities into the program," said Hanley. In the coming weeks, tutors will organize an Easter Egg Hunt and Egg Dyeing Party, as well as a Book Fair where each child will have the opportunity to select free books to take home.

Other events throughout the year include a Halloween party, in conjunction with RAB, the BSU and Circle K; and a Kwanzaa celebration. Tutors have also taken children to the "First Thursday" series at the Baltimore Museum of Art. Another activity the children enjoyed was a visit from several dental students, who gave a presentation on dental hygiene and distributed free toothbrushes. The directors feel it is important to provide the children with a wide array of knowledge.

The children aren't the only ones who benefit from the Hopkins Tutorial Program. For Jessica Karl, it may have led to a career choice not earlier considered. Karl will attend the Hopkins School of Public Health this fall, followed by medical school. As a result of her experiences with the children of the Tutorial Project, she has decided to concentrate in pediatric immunology, mainly in urban environments.

Karl admitted that she will miss working with the program after her graduation this May. "Everyone becomes like a family," she said. "You become so close that you actually worry about the children, in their neighborhoods and in their schools."

If you're interested in getting involved in this tutorial project, call the Office of Volunteer Services at 410-516-4777.

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—JESSICA KARL

Grad schools react to U.S. News rankings

BY ALLAN MASSIE
News-Letter Staff

"We're # 24!"

The boast on the home page of Hopkins' Materials Science department proves that the recent *U.S. News and World Report* rankings, though some dispute their fairness, still get a lot of attention around campus.

The 1998 rankings continue a yearly *U.S. News* tradition of evaluating the nation's colleges, establishing a Top-40-style rating of the best schools. In recent years, some college officials have complained that the methods used to obtain the rankings are biased. Others have claimed that ranking schools like grunge albums is inherently unfair. Yet the annual rankings guide continues to fly off the shelves every year.

This year's *U.S. News and World Report* college guide rated graduate schools, including graduate programs in engineering and Ph.D. programs in the arts and sciences. The

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engineering school rankings combined reputation (derived from surveys of professors about other schools in their discipline), faculty resources,

research activity and student selectivity. The arts and sciences Ph.D. rankings rated only reputation.

Is this a good way to rate schools? How much do the ratings matter? How much do they affect an applicant's decisions? Officials at Hopkins were divided, but everyone had plenty to say on the subject, indicating that, for better or worse, the 192-page guide got a lot of attention among campus faculties.

How we did

The most highly ranked departments in this year's report were the Biomedical Engineering department, which was ranked as the top department of its kind in the nation, and the Writing Seminars, which tied with the University of Houston for the second-best program. Other departments in the top ten included Biology (#6, tied with Princeton and Rockefeller universities), Geography and Environmental Engineering (#8), Earth and Planetary Sciences (#9, tied with Cornell, Princeton, U-Arizona, UCLA, UT-Austin and Yale) and History (#10).

Many other JHU departments in both Engineering and Arts and Sciences were represented in the lists (see info box). The engineering school as a whole was ranked #21,

tying with Texas A&M and the University of California at San Diego. A few departments missed the top 25, including Mathematics and Political Science.

and I thought that was pretty good. I think we're pleased."

Dr. Murray Sachs, chair of the top-ranked BME department, was less enthusiastic. "We don't put much emphasis on those rankings," said Sachs. "We're not displeased."

Sachs believed that rankings such as the *U.S. News* report "really rate popularity." He stated that he did not believe the ratings system to be biased, but added, "I think there are some real inconsistencies in the rankings."

Do these "inconsistencies" lead to unfair discrepancies? Davidson said of the rankings, "they're fair, in the sense that all ranking systems were used to rate the departments." He averred that "where you end up is heavily influenced by what kind of criteria they're using."

All those interviewed acknowledged that prospective graduate students consider the rankings important. "Graduate students read [the *U.S.*

News rankings] with a fair degree of interest... all grad students want to go to the very best program they can get into."

Asked how much he believes the rankings influenced students, Sachs replied, "A lot. Too much."

Whether the rankings' wide influence is justified or not, the rankings are here to stay. "Everybody [in the Civil Engineering department] is fully aware of what's going on," said Lade. "We say the usual thing, that [people shouldn't pay very much attention to the rankings], but everybody does."

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

South by Southwest 1998

All about the music industry convention and trade show taking place in Austin, Texas

From Wednesday through Sunday of Spring Break, I went to Austin, Texas, for the South by Southwest (SXSW) music industry convention, trade show and music showcase. I went as a representative from WHSR-530AM, our campus station, and I really didn't know what to expect from SXSW until I boarded my Southwest flight from Nashville to Austin. I sat in an exit row, hoping to have room to stretch my legs, but

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the flight was completely full. Consequently, I ended up sharing the cramped space with three tattooed rockers, complete with guitars stowed overhead, an industry lawyer, and an A&R rep from Capitol records in Nashville. To complete the description, the flight left at 9 a.m. and every one of my row-mates ordered a beer

during the flight.

Upon arriving in Austin on Wednesday, I hopped a cab to a downtown hotel, and on the way, the cab driver asked if I was a musician at SXSW. I told him no, and the driver agreed that I couldn't be a musician because I wasn't dressed completely in black. Following this conversation, I checked into the hotel, and walked down to the Austin convention center to register for the conference. There, I received a universal pass which consisted of a laminated card attached to a lanyard, so the card could be worn around my neck at all times. Cool. Now I felt like someone important, and not just some schmuck from college radio. Throughout the rest of the week, I found that my pass was worth its weight in gold because it gained me free admission to concerts and parties.

Highlights from the trip include the industry trade show, where I found that if you act like you're someone important (Read: Hand out

many business cards), then you get lots of free CDs from obscure, no-name artists who all suck at playing music. Well, maybe one or two CDs turned out to be worth listening to for a while, at least. One of my favorite new CDs is by a Japanese punk rock band called Tengako Jack, "It's punk—in Japanese." In addition to the free CDs, I found that it is possible to be invited to private parties if one acts very interested in a particu-

The lead singer was very charismatic, jumping all over the stage, and the ladies in the front row went wild when he stuck his microphone down his pants and started playing with it.

lar record label. I got invited to some random Dutch Rock Institute party, and after schmoozing with Dutch record company execs, I stayed to watch a series of Mexican bands, one of which, I swear, is the Mexican equivalent of Rage Against the Machine. Picture in the band, though, instead of lead singer Zach de la Rocha, a female equivalent complete with a sun tattooed around her belly button.

The beauty of SXSW is that a rep-

resentative has the option of hearing 20-30 new bands each night by jumping from concert to concert at a whim. I just had to wave my lanyard pass at a bouncer at the door of a club to walk right in the door. The clubs varied in size from a rat-hole to a cavernous building, and their names varied from La Zona Rosa to the Atomic Café.

Notable shows that I saw include The Apples in Stereo, an alternative/pop band from Colorado. Lead singer/guitarist Robert Schneider attacked his guitar like a maniac, producing eerily off-key solos that blended well with the pop-style of his band.

Later I saw Propellerheads, a beat band that magazines are calling the next Prodigy. They were fantastic! Two guys spun records for a while, and then one guy started playing drums while the other continued to spin. Next the guys switched, although this time the other guy started to play the guitar. Wow! And then there was the Canadian band Bran Van 3000. They played covers of U2's "Sunday Bloody Sunday" and Oasis's "Cum on Feel the Noise" in a very original rap/hip-hop/rock style. Their new single is an R&B type song called, "Drinking in L.A." that is a spoof of Dr. Dre's "Gin and Juice." A photographer for *Rolling Stone* that I chatted with described Bran Van as "the next Spice Girls." But I liked them anyway.

From here on, my stories get more interesting. I witnessed the lead singer from the band Delta 72 kick a drunken fan in the face during a concert. Needless to say, the hurt man needed serious medical attention right away. Next, a guy in the audience, who happened to be a musician, invited me to a *High Times* magazine after hours party. For those of you who don't know, *High Times* is a magazine devoted to the legalization and enjoyment of marijuana. Exactly the type of party where one could hang around and meet classy people.

After this invitation, I went to a club called Emo's to hear the Cherry Poppin' Daddies perform. They were fantastic, playing a lively mix of ska and swing that got many audience members to start dancing! The lead singer was very charismatic, jumping all over the stage, and the ladies in the front row went wild when he stuck his microphone down his pants



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The lead singer from Delta 72. What snazz! What finesse! What style! What the hell is that suit?

and started playing with it!

To sum it up, SXSW was loads of fun. I met the president of Capitol Records: a guy named Gary. Gary said it was not uncommon for him to call home to California, and to have Adam Duritz, lead singer of Counting Crows, answer the phone! Also, Gary said he was personal friends with the Beastie Boys, and that their new CD was fantastic. In addition, Gary mentioned that the Tibetan Freedom Concert will be on June 14-15 at RFK Stadium in D.C. (so plan your summers accordingly!).

The overall purpose of SXSW, though, was to meet people and make contacts for WHSR, and this venture was very successfully completed. One should view SXSW for what it is—a national industry conference that happens to include a great time only because the music industry's purpose is entertainment. So why can't medical and law conventions be this fun?

Anyway, I'll quickly digress into the inner working of our station to better describe the benefits of SXSW. The position of Music Director (MD) in our station consists of chatting

weekly with promotional representatives from many record companies, and maintaining working relationships with these people for the purpose of receiving new CDs that we can play on the air. In return for these new CDs, the promotion department for the company wants us to play their music many times a week, and these people will call repeatedly urging us to this end. The more record companies that we maintain contacts with, the more CDs that we receive, and the more viable our station is. For example, if we stopped receiving new CDs, then our music would be out of date, and no one would want to listen to our station anymore. And this brings us back to the trip to SXSW.

The conference finally ended on Sunday, when I grabbed my 8:45 a.m. flight back home to Baltimore. It was on this flight that I heard my quote of the week from the mouth of some little old lady, "You know, sonny, there sure are a lot of hung-over boozing partiers on this flight."

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Only at the SXSW convention would a passing bus suddenly pop open at the top, revealing a band which then starts playing for passersby.

Like a shining star

Usually hard Madonna delivers spiritual on Ray of Light

RAY OF LIGHT

Madonna
Maverick Records

BY LANCE WAHLERT
News-Letter Staff

Like most of Madonna's albums, *Ray of Light* marks new ground for the artists. If you've heard anything about the album, most likely it's that Madonna has taken a more spiritual approach to her music. Certainly critics have been quick to jump on this, for good and for bad—either she has abandoned her blatant sexuality and thus dulled her music. Or, she has abandoned the sexuality and created a more mature sound for her listeners.

I think I fall somewhere in-between. Without the gyrating pelvis and sexual overtones, it hardly seems like Madonna at all. Nevertheless, what Madonna has created with album is something important—a truly pleasing, sensual album. We get some of both. (After all, the dress she wears on the inside sleeve may be plain, but it is sheer enough to make out her nipples.)

What pleases me most about *Ray of Light* is that it showcases Madonna's ability not to merely remold her image, but also master new styles. In this instance, it is dance music that she has revamped. Most of the tracks tend more towards ambient than her usual house or techno beats; but there are still touches of the two, as well as jungle in a few of these songs.

What is remarkable about the album, then, is that we can have a song like "Ray of Light," where Madonna is able to change the tempo of her music without moving it into a new genre.

Until recently, Madonna has been victim to the problem of most pop artists—trapped between the two styles of ballad and catchy tune. If Madonna's most recent album, the all-ballad *Something to Remember*, proved anything, it was that Madonna could not slow down her pace without delivering a weepy something.

On songs like *Ray of Light's* track and "Nothing Really Matters," however, she is able to change up her



MADONNA || ray of light

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delivery. Ambient synthesizers make way for more danceable, techno-driven beats. This technique has been used by the best dance artists for years. Madonna has finally brought the style to pop music.

While most critics have focused exclusively on Madonna's new spirituality as a departure from her usual exploitative Catholic imagery (and have thus avoided the quality of her music on *Ray of Light*), it is worth mentioning that the spiritual lyrics on the album do a remarkable job of grounding Madonna's dance-club tendencies. Reinforced by the new ambient sound, her vocals are more subdued.

As a songwriter, Madonna has always been talented. (Far too many critics and listeners choose to talk about Madonna as a performer and not the songwriter that she truly is.) Her tendency, however, has always been towards delivery. On *Ray of Light*, though, she successfully merges music and lyrics. Perhaps she is taking what she says seriously and thus "performing" less and "producing" more?

For example, on the album's first track, "Drowned World/Substitute for Love," we not only sense that Ma-

donna is speaking honestly, but with sincerity.

*I traded fame for love
Without a second thought
It all became a silly game
Some things cannot be bought
Got exactly what I asked for
Wanted it so badly
Running, rushing back for more
I suffered fools
So gladly
And now I find
I've changed my mind*

I suppose, what is so pleasing about *Ray of Light* is that we get a real message that artistic priorities can change. True, Madonna has moved from sexual vamp to enlightened mother, but I don't doubt that this subdued phase too will pass. True, she has developed a maturity in her voice and style, but this grace was prominent even in *Evita*. True, she has produced a very smart piece of work, but she did this also with the wry *Erotica* and sly *Bedtime Stories*.

What Madonna has truly changed are her intentions. She has allowed her music to speak more than her image; and made a strong effort to evoke artistry, not merely emulate it.

There's something remarkable about that.

Peabody Camerata to play Griswold

Attention everyone interested in something fresh and new! The Peabody Camerata has a package ready for delivery!

In the final concert of the "Summing Up the Century" series, the Peabody Camerata will be presenting "The Jazz Influence." The concert consists of music by 20th century European composers influenced by 1920s American jazz. The April 4 concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. and take place in the recently renovated Griswold Hall (formerly North Hall).

"The intention of [IKARUGO] is to express the ancient Japanese atmosphere in my imagination that has haunted me for the past five years."

—KOHEI MUTAI

The Peabody Camerata was started ten years ago by director Gene Young to accomplish two goals: To create a performing avenue for modern music, and to form a volunteer music group for the students. According to Young, the latter is what makes the former work so well.

"Everyone gets up on Saturday morning to [rehearse]," Young says with enthusiasm. "There's no distinction between faculty and students or undergraduates and graduates. Everyone's here because they want to be here."

The first concert ten years ago included *L'Histoire du Soldat* (A

JAMES DICKENSON
Peabody Notes

Soldier's Tale), which also is on the program for Saturday. The work by Igor Stravinsky is a dramatic tale told with music and words.

Jason Hentrich, who will be reading the part of the soldier, finds the work exciting and intriguing. "In the beginning, a soldier sells his soul to the devil, and he spends the rest of the time trying to win it back. On the way he loses family and friends and in the end there's a great showdown between him and the devil. I can't tell you who wins, but if you come to the concert you'll find out!"

"Devils and gods are all in the same realm of the unicorn—they don't exist," says Clinton Adams, who has the role of the devil. "But they're fun to portray now and then." Adams, an Ear Training/ Sight Singing Professor at Peabody, has been asked "many times" to partake in such roles.

In the ten years of its existence, The Camerata has premiered over twenty new works, frequently ones composed by the faculty and staff at Peabody. In addition, the Camerata holds an annual Student Composition Competition, the winner of which receives a performance of their work by the ensemble. This year's winner is *IKARUGO* by Kohei Mukai.

IKARUGO is named after an ancient city of Japan that was in existence from A.D. 601 to A.D. 645. The city "went to ruin," explains Mukai, but "statues of Buddha and old edifices which are primitive and unpolished... have been in existence through the passage of 1400 years. I visited Ikarugo last spring and was deeply impressed by its immortal living conditions."

"The intention of this work," continues the young composer, "is to express the ancient Japanese at-

mosphere in my imagination that has haunted me for the past five years."

Before coming to the States, Mukai studied at the Tokyo National University of Fine Arts and Music. He has been the recipient of many prestigious competitions, including The 33rd Takai Guitar Composition Competition, the 10th Annual Prize for a new composer and Peabody's Virginia Delillo Composition Competition.

Watching the Camerata rehearse, one cannot miss seeing the exuberance being put into the music. It is clear that everyone loves what they are doing. Young's enthusiastic conducting pulls energy and nuance out of the players to bring life to the music.

"It's a pleasure," percussionist Rich Wattie muses. "Moving percussion equipment isn't such a hassle because I like working with Mr. Young so much." This is Wattie's first year playing with the ensemble, but he predicts that "as the years go on, I'm sure to become a Camerata geek! It's a great experience to play with the best of the best."

And in the "You should have been there" category, congratulations to the Peabody Trio and the Peabody Symphony Orchestra, who both had successful concerts last week.

The Peabody Trio played with their usual intensity and flair through the concert of mostly modern music on March 26. The assistance of soprano Phyllis Brub-Julson on Shostakovich's *Seven Romances on Poems* by Alexander Blok added a spark to the evening.

The PSO's concert was equally enjoyed. Under the baton of Hajime Teri Murai, the PSO played works of Beethoven and Debussy with refinement and precision. The PSO will make its New York debut on May 2 at Alice Tully Hall. Find out more about this and other upcoming events at the Peabody Home Page at www.peabody.jhu.edu.

Are you ready for a Mac marriage?

That's right, kids, in case you weren't watching the news all week, Macaulay Culkin is getting married. It seems like just yesterday that he was starring in those really dumb *Home Alone* movies. Well, now he's 17, and no longer appears in those silly movies that for some reason yielded huge profits. He does play readings and the like in New York now. But soon he'll be walking down the aisle with Rachel Miner, who is also 17, and was also a child actor. She

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is currently co-starring in the Broadway production of *The Diary of Anne Frank*. Culkin hasn't been seen much since his parents, who had never married, split up in 1995 and got involved in a huge fight over who gets to handle Macaulay's money. His father, Kit, was his manager, and was known for being very demanding in negotiations. Remember *The Good Son*? That was Kit's fault. He wouldn't sign Mac for *Home Alone 2* unless he was also given the role of the bad kid in that movie. But Mac turns 18 in August, so he'll be in charge, and he'll also be



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Matt Damon of Good Will Hunting fame: he and Winona (Ryder, not Judd) are public!

married. Maybe this will get Mac enough publicity to revitalize his career.

The Los Angeles *Times* says that probably only six of the 36 shows that premiered last fall and this winter will be asked to return next year: *Working*, *Veronica's Closet*, *Ally McBeal*, *Dharma & Greg*, *Dawson's Creek*, and *Wonderful World of Disney*. The latest casualty of this Season of Bad Shows is *Significant Others*, which some idiot thought would actually make it in the post-90210 slot which is temporarily not being occupied by *Party of Five*. It lasted three episodes. The good news? Until *Party of Five* comes back, *Ally McBeal* reruns will be aired Wednesdays at 9 p.m. That's the only good thing to come out of *Significant Others*.

Everyone knows by now that Winona Ryder and Matt Damon are reportedly dating, but Winona is now spreading the word, and admitting it in interviews. As if we didn't already know, it's now official.

Someone's gone movie-to-musical happy. I don't get it, personally. After *Big* flopped on Broad-

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way, you'd think that people would get the hint. But now there are more musicals based on movies in the works than ever. A shining example of this is *Bright Lights, Big City*—although, to the credit of Michael Greif, the guy who directs *Rent* and is writing this one, the movie was based on a book by Jay McInerney. So the musical is really based on the book. And Paul Scott Goodman is writing the music. He's also working on an-



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David Duchovny, seen here in *Playing God*, finally convinced the X-Files crew to move to L.A.

other musical, based on Carrie Fisher's *Postcards From the Edge*. Also in the works are musicals based on *Footloose* and *Mask*. People just don't learn.

Aaron Spelling is going to have a major turnover after next year. The 1998-99 season is expected to be the final season for *Beverly Hills, 90210* and *Melrose Place*, which are slipping in the ratings anyway. Jason Priestley is only going to appear in four to six episodes next year, and Tiffani Amber-Thiessen will only be in seven shows. Two more regulars will be brought on, though Spelling hasn't hinted at who they might be yet. But don't worry, Spelling won't be bored; we'll be seeing remakes of *Love Boat* and *Treasure Island*, both of which were 1970s Spelling shows, soon.

Eric Clapton is giving \$5 million to the building of a drug and alcohol rehab center on the island of Antigua in the West Indies. It will be based on the Betty Ford Center in Palm Springs. The name of Clapton's new center? Why, Crossroads, of course.

The set of the *X-Files* is finally moving. The show has been shot in Vancouver for the length of its run, but is now going to move to Los Angeles. Star David Duchovny has been lobbying for this move since his marriage to Tea Leoni began, as her now-extinct sitcom *The Naked Truth* tied her down to L.A., and he (understandably) wanted to spend some time with her. And even since her show has been can-

celled, he has still been pushing for an L.A. move. Chris Carter finally agreed, presumably due to the family factor. The reason the show has stayed in Vancouver for so long is the financial advantage it has over L.A. But family has apparently won out over money. So if you're in L.A. and you see Duchovny or Gillian Anderson, you can thank Carter's wife.

Leonardo DiCaprio has filed a lawsuit against *Playgirl* magazine. Yes, that's right, he's trying to prevent them from publishing nude photos of him. I don't particularly want to see Leonardo DiCaprio nude, but hey, if half the country wants it....

Celine Dion, award-winning singer, is being named an exalted officer in the Order of Canada at Rideau Hall on May 1. The award is being given to her for her "outstanding contribution to the world of contemporary music." I think this award should go to any DJ who goes a full day without playing that dang *Titanic* love theme.

Remember the whole Garth Brooks-Warren G feud over the letter G? It's been resolved. If you don't remember, this is worth a memory refresher. Apparently, both artists use the letter G on their merchandise. They both felt this was too confusing, so they sued each other—over the trademarked right to the letter G. Yes, you read this correctly. Apparently, somebody reminded them that the rights to the letter G were taken; it's already sponsoring Sesame Street a couple of times each year.

Olivia's Xanadu

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Of course, it is the combination of Olivia and Electric Light Orchestra that produces the musical's title track and best song...

*A place, where nobody dared to go
The love that we came to know
They call it Xanadu
And now, open your eyes and see
What we have made is real
We are in Xanadu
A million lights are dancing
And there you are, a shooting star
An everlasting world and you're here
with me
Eternally*

As a part of the film's finale, "Xanadu" is performed in the music

hall of the same name. A series of outrageous performances precede this song, during which Olivia dances and rollerskates. When the last refrain of the chorus arrives, though, Olivia appears in shimmery gold. Her sister Muses dance around her.

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The JSA sponsors a trip to the **BMA** on First Thursdays. Meet in the K (basement of AMR I) at 7:30 p.m. Contact Stacey at 410-516-5787 for more information.

Play **Spades and Dominoes** as part of the **Caribbean Cultural Society's Tournament** at 8 p.m. in Terrace Court Cafe and have a chance to win \$40. Don't know how to play? No problem. Come watch and have a slice of pizza. The contestant registration fee is \$2. Contact Kathryn Moore at kam2@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu for more information.

The **Catalyst Theatre** performs "**Roommates**," a play about two girls who deal with coming out issues after moving into the dorms for their frosh year of college, at 8 p.m. in Bloomberg Auditorium as part of **D.S.A.G.A.'s "Pride & Prejudice: Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Realities in the Nineties,"** a celebration of sexual diversity at Hopkins. Admission is free. Everyone is welcome at attend events, which will continue through April 14, 1998. Call 410-516-4088 for more information.

Friday, April 3

ON CAMPUS

The **1998 Duncan Lecture**—"What is Randomization?" by **David Pollard**, from Yale University, will be held at 11:00 a.m. at 304 Whitehead.

Cheer on **Men's Baseball** as they play **Western Maryland** at 3:00 p.m.

The JSA is sponsoring **Shabbat services** beginning at 6:15 p.m. Meet in the K (basement of AMR I). Contact Josh at 410-516-3641 for more information.

Shriver Hall presents **An Evening with Ethel Ennis** at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$10 for students. For more information, call x7157.

Agape Campus Ministry holds its weekly **large group meeting** at 7:30 p.m. in Shaffer 100.

InterVarsity will hold a **Christian Fellowship Discussion** at 7:30 p.m. in the Garrett Room of MSE Library. All are welcome to attend. The discussion will be preceded by a dinner.

Attend the **Octopodes Spring Concert** at 8 p.m. Contact Tina at 410-662-1154 for more information.

An **Astronomy Open House** will be held for public viewing at 8:30 p.m. in the Bloomberg Center Observatory. For more information, call 410-516-6525.

Attend **Caribbean Vibes '98** with **D.C. DJ Love Sounds International** from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Admission is \$3 in advance or \$4 at the door. Contact Kathryn at 410-516-3057 or kam2@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu for more information.

OFF CAMPUS

Hear **Chamber Music** performed at 6:30 p.m. in Peabody's Arthur Freidham Music Library. Admission is free. Contact the Peabody Box Office at 410-659-8124 for more information.

The **Peabody Preparatory Annual Spring Dance Concert** performs tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. in Peabody's Friedberg Concert Hall. Tickets cost \$4 for students, seniors, and children and \$8 for the general public. Contact the Peabody Box Office at 410-659-8124 for more information.

Saturday, April 4

ON CAMPUS

The JSA is sponsoring **Shabbat**

morning services beginning at 9:15 a.m. Meet in the K (basement of AMR I). Contact Josh at 410-516-3641 for more information.

Come support **Men's Tennis** as Hopkins faces **Ursinus** at 10:00 a.m.

Peer Counseling will be conducting **Phone Line Training II** from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the McCoy Multipurpose Room. If you are interested in being a peer counselor for the hotline, please contact Karen Shahar at x3861 and come to the training. This training and the first training, held last week, are both mandatory.

Cheer on **Women's Lacrosse** as they play **Bryn Mawr** at 1:00 p.m.

Cheer on **Women's Tennis** as Hopkins faces **Swarthmore** at 1:00 p.m.

Participate in **Over-The-Line** at 1:00 p.m. Sign up in the Recreational Sports Office by 4/2 or call Bill at 410-516-5229.

CALENDAR

April 2 to April 8

more information, call 540-231-4699.

Attend **Peabody Camerata's** final concert in their "**Summing Up the Century**" series at 7:30 p.m. in Peabody's Griswold Hall. The "Jazz Influence" concert features Milhaud's Creation of the World and Stravinsky's L'Histoire du soldat as well as the winning work in the Camerata Student Composition Competition. Admission is free.

Peabody Prep's Annual Spring Dance Concert will be held at 8 p.m. in Friedburg Hall. General admission is \$8; admission for students is \$4.

Tuesday, April 7

ON CAMPUS

Men's Tennis plays **Gettysburg** at 3:00 p.m.

Dan Renzi, Director of the Kansas City AIDS project and current "Real World" cast member, will speak about experiences surrounding his homosexuality at 7 p.m. in the Glass Pavil-

ion. Contact Karen at 410-516-4088 for more information.

at the Evergreen House between May 15 and July 8, 1998. The exhibition, which includes works by 29 painters who created intricately detailed realist works in the manner of the Flemish masters, focuses on the painting style and techniques of their teacher, the late Jacques Maroger, a former faculty member at the Maryland Institute of Art and a friend and instructor to Evergreen's original owner, Alice Garrett. Admission is \$8 for Evergreen members and \$10 for the general public. Call 410-516-0341 to make a reservation and for more information.

OFF CAMPUS

The **Peabody Wind Ensemble** will perform at 7:30 p.m. in **Peabody's Friedberg Concert Hall**. The program includes Gerald Barry's Hard D; Walter Hartley's "Sinfonia No. 4;" Howard Hanson's "Chorale" and "Alleluia"; Copland's "Fanfare for the Common Man"; and Johan de Meij's Symphony No. 2, "The Big Apple."

corporate sponsorship and foundation underwriting. The only festival of its kind that is free to the public, Artscape celebrates its 17th anniversary as the nation's largest and premiere free arts festival this July 17 through 19. They are looking for interns for this summer's event to work behind the scenes with logistics, artists, performers, MC's, sponsors, exhibits and food vendors. The festival will take place on Mount Royal Avenue at the Lyric Opera House. Contact Claudia Bizmark at 410-396-4575 for more information.

An **exhibition of miniature furniture** from private collectors has opened at the Homewood House Museum and will last through Sunday, March 29. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$3 for students. Tours and afternoon tea can be arranged for groups of ten or more for \$10 per person. Homewood House is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. Call 410-516-5589 for more information.

Spotlighters Theater presents **Baltimore's Weekly Beauty Contest**, a musical comedy by Bill Russell, Frank Kelly, and Albert Evans, through Sunday, March 29. You, the audience, vote on the winner. Contact the Spotlighters Theater at 410-752-1225 for more information.

Campus Notes

Get paid to write and get a free apartment! The *Highlander Club News-Letter* is looking for qualified students for a paid internship on Mount Vernon Place in midtown Baltimore. If you qualify, you'll be writing articles for our news-letter, doing research and fact checking. You must be able to work 20 hours a week, and if you can work 40 hours a week, we have an apartment you can live in—completely free. If you're interested, contact Ned Harper at 410-895-7919.

Mercy Center for Eating Disorders is sponsoring **support groups** for individuals with eating disorders and their friends and family. No registration and no fees are required. One group meets Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. in Towson at 101 E. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 202. For information or directions, call Mercy Center for Eating Disorders at (410) 332-9800. Another group meets from 7:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Mondays in the lobby by the Professional Office Building at Mercy Medical Center. For information or directions, call Elaine Schreiber at (410) 332-9535.

Mercy Center for Eating Disorders is holding a **Women's Therapy Group** from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. The purpose of the group is to discuss how society and stress contribute to overeating and low self-esteem. The group members work to accept themselves and each other at any body weight. The emphasis of the group is on healthy eating and a healthy body using a non-diet approach. Group leaders are therapist Paulette Scott, LSCW-C, and nutritionist Kathy Westcoat, RD, LD. An evaluation is required to assess appropriateness for the group. To schedule an appointment, call (410) 332-9800.

Professor **David Sugarman** will give the **Hinkley Lecture** at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 9, in the Garrett Room at the MSEL. The lecture topic is "LA Law" Encounters "The Common Law

Spotlight: Project Hope.

"Try it for a day, love it for a lifetime"

Project HOPE is a one-day community service work-a-thon in which students, faculty, administrative and community volunteers go into Baltimore for four hours to raise money to be donated to a local charity. Through community service, the project hopes to help serve and unite the Baltimore community.

The inspiration for this event, which is being sponsored by Hopkins' service organizations, Hands to the Homeless, Circle K and former Governor Schaefer's office, stems from a recognition of our responsibility to serve the needs of the community we live in. The organizers hope this event will encourage participants to continue volunteering. Students can choose to sign-up individually, with friends or with a club.

Some of the places you can volunteer at include the following:

- * AIDS clinics
- * community clean-up at a park
- * family centers
- * harvesting food for the homeless
- * health care clinics
- * homeless shelters

- * nursing homes
- * pediatric wards
- * soup kitchens

Attend "Soup & Bread Night" tonight at 7 p.m. in Shriver's Clipper Room to find out where you will be volunteering on Saturday, April 4, and to hear speakers discuss issues of poverty, urban policy and volunteering.

Meet in Levering Market at 9 a.m. on Saturday for breakfast, a few words from the organizers of Project HOPE, register, meet your group and receive lunches before going to the sites. What will you get out of this? Not only will you get a free t-shirt, a great experience to get to know other students and free breakfast, but you will also get that warm fuzzy feeling when you know that you have done something really good!

Contact Monica Heuer or Katie Ferrier at 410-516-0491 if you'd like to volunteer. If you are unable to volunteer, please sponsor someone who is volunteering. Flyers about this event are available through the Office of Community Relations and Volunteer Services in Levering Hall. Contact Bulbul at 889-3934 or bulbul@jhu.edu or Tanya at 235-2190 or tarora@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu for more information.

Sunday, April 5

ON CAMPUS

The **Outdoors Club** sponsors **Climbing and Kayaking** at 1:00 p.m.

The **Shriver Hall Concert Series** presents a performance by violinist **Joshua Bell** (with pianist Simon Mulligan) in Shriver Hall at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$26, \$13 for full-time students. A pre-concert lecture will be held at 7:15 p.m. in the Clipper Room, with Eileen Soskin.

Hopkins Symphony Orchestra presents **Chamber**, featuring Aaron Copland's "Appalachian Spring." Call 410-516-6542 for more information.

Monday, April 6

ON CAMPUS

Undergraduate Pre-Registration for the Fall Term is this week.

Student Council will hold elections today and tomorrow from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. Paper ballots will be manned at the booths located in AMR II, Wolman and Levering.

Women's Tennis faces **Franklin and Marshall** at 3:30 p.m.

The **David Bodian Seminar in Neuroscience—"Studying Organization vs. Representation by Neuronal Assemblies,"** with George Gerstein, from the University of Pennsylvania, will be held at 4:00 p.m. in 341 Krieger.

OFF CAMPUS

The **12th Annual Maryland Career Fair** will be at the **Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor** at 10 a.m. The fair is sponsored by the Baltimore branch of the NAACP.

The **Guardian Steps Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** group meets every Monday night at 7 p.m. in the Parlor of the Parish House (2629 Huntingdon Avenue in Remington). Call 410-235-5740 for more information.

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Tax help for students will be available from 10 a.m. to noon in the Office of Student Employment and Payroll Services (Merryman Hall). **Representatives from the JHU Tax Office will be on hand to help students with their tax forms.** There's need for an appointment; just walk-in and have your tax questions answered. Call 410-516-7232 for more information.

Wednesday, April 8

ON CAMPUS

Stop by the "**On Your Own Fair**" from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Wolman Lobby, an informational event sponsored by the **Off-Campus Housing Office and the Office of Residential Life**. Various vendors from the surrounding community will be on hand to help those students moving from campus into the community and make sure they are informed about what is available. There will be representatives from the telephone company, local apartment complexes and landlords, moving and storage companies, utility companies, etc. Call 410-516-7060 for more information.

The **Office of Special Events** sponsors "**Broadcast News: Behind the Scenes and Beyond the Bright Lights**," a talk with Marcellus W. Alexander, Jr., the Vice President and General Manager of WJZ-TV, at noon in Shriver Hall. Experience what it takes to bring a story together and get a glimpse of real stories as they unfold in front of you. Admission is free. Call 410-516-7157 for more information.

Cheer on **Women's Tennis** as Hopkins faces **Gettysburg** at 3:30 p.m.

Watch the movie **When Night is Falling** at 8 p.m. in Mudd Auditorium. Contact Karen at 410-516-4088 for more information.

The **Evergreen House** offers a lecture presentation entitled "**Joseph Sheppard and the Maroger Group**," a reception, and a book signing beginning at 6 p.m. The event is in conjunction with the upcoming exhibit "Baltimore Realists," which will run

Admission is free.

Ongoing Events

April 5 through 11 is **Student Employee Week**.

Giant Foods will be conducting **Diabetes Tours** throughout April and May. The tour will be led by a registered dietician. There is a fee involved, although a portion of it goes to benefit the American Diabetes Foundation. Contact Giant for more information.

The **JHU Modern Dance Company Annual Concert** will be held at 8:00 p.m. in Shriver Hall. Tickets are \$3 in advance, \$5 at the door. For questions, call Cindy at 410-467-7561 or e-mail her at cindyp@jhu.edu.

Artscape, which brought an enthusiastic 1.4 million people together for the arts last July, is Baltimore's annual festival for the literary, visual and performing arts supported by

NIGHTLIFE	
Balls , 200 W. Pratt St., 576-0721	
Baja Beach Club , 55 Market Place, 727-0468	
Bank , 401 S. Eutaw St., 837-0502	
Bohager's , 515 S. Eden St., 563-7220	
Buddie's Pub , 313 N. Charles St., 332-4200	
Cafe Tattoo , 4825 Belair Rd., 325-7427	
Cat's Eye Pub , 1730 Thames St., 276-9085	
Club Midnite , 2548 N. Howard St., 243-3535. Pool, dancing, drink specials.	
Club Charles , 1724 N. Charles St., 727-8815	
The Coffee House at Mays Chapel , 11911 Jenifer Rd, Timonium, 922-5210	
The Depot , 1728 N. Charles St., 750-6121	
8x10 , 8-10 E. Cross St., 625-2000. Great live bands.	
Fat Lulu's , 1818 Maryland Ave. 685-4665	
Fells Point Cafe , 723 S. Broadway, Fells Pt., 327-8800	
Flamingo Lounge , 405 E. Baltimore St., 850-1108.	
Funk's Democratic Coffee Spot , 1818 Eastern Ave., 276-3865.	
Hammerjacks , 1101 S. Howard St., 481-7328 (chg.) & 752-3302 (info).	
J Patricks , 1371 Andre St., 727-9482.	
Memory Lane , 1433 Hamburg St., 837-5070, 18+ w/ID	
New Haven Lounge , Northwood Shopping Center, 1551 Havenwood Rd., 366-7416.	
9:30 Club , 815 V. St., N.W., D.C. (202)393-0930.	
Orpheus , 1001 E. Pratt at Exeter, 276-5599. Dance club.	
Mick O'Shea's , 328 N. Charles St., 539-7504	
Paradox , 1310 Russell St., 837-9110. Huge warehouse turned dance club.	
Poor Richard's 4-1/2 Pennsylvania Ave., Towson, 337-7110.	
Rendezvous Lounge , 203 W. 25th St., 467-3860.	
The Ruby Lounge at Donna's Mt. Vernon, 802 N. Charles St., 539-8051.	
Slapstix Comedy Club The Brokerage, 34 Market Place, 659-7527.	
Spike & Charlie's Cabaret , 1225 Cathedral St., 752-8144.	
Wharf Rat , 801 S. Ann St., Fells Pt., 276-9034.	
Wyatt's , 1614 Eastern Ave., Fells Pt, 732-8656	

'Mind': The Impact of Americanization and Globalization on English Legal Culture and National Identity. Sugarman is professor of law at Lancaster University in England. The Hinkley Lecture is sponsored by the Political Science Department.

The **JHU Alumni Association** supports students who create their own volunteer community service projects as well as student groups that need funding for programs and events. The next deadline for Community Service Grant funding and Student Services Funding is April 15, 1998. Applications will be accepted for summer (Community Service only) and fall '98 projects and are available at the Steinwald Alumni House (3211 N. Charles Street) or at the divisional alumni offices. Contact the alumni representative at each division or Rebecca Barnes at rebeccab@jhu.edu or 410-516-6333 for more information.

The **German Society of Maryland** is offering **scholarships** to undergraduate and graduate students of German ancestry residing in Maryland. Qualifications include a minimum GPA of 3.0 and at least two completed semesters of study. Special consideration will be given to students who are studying the German language or the culture of German speaking countries. Students must file the Princeton Financial Aid Form in order to qualify. Write to the German Society of Maryland at P.O. Box 22585, Baltimore, Maryland 21203-4585 or call the Society at 410-865-0450 for an application. The application deadline is April 15.

The **Office of Benefits Administration** is sponsoring a 5 week series about **Weight Management Class** Mondays from 12:10 to 1 p.m. in Levering's Sherwood Room from April 18 to May 20, 1998. The course, which will be taught Registered Dietician and Nutritionist Sue James, will discuss healthy eating, balancing carbohydrates and proteins, exercise and more. The class, which costs \$15, is open to all Hopkins faculty and staff. There is no food to buy. Call 410-516-0450 for more information.

The **Austin Film Festival** is currently accepting entries in its **1998 Screenplay Competition and Film Competition**. Winners in the screenplay categories (adult and family) receive the Heart of Film Bronzed Award, \$4,000 cash, a trip to the Screenwriters Conference and the opportunity to participate in a yearlong mentorship program with the industry's leading screenwriters. Entry postmark deadline for this competition is May 15, 1998. All finalists in the film competition categories (feature, short and student short) participate in the festival. Feature film winners receive \$750; short and student short film winners receive \$500. The entry deadline for this competition is August 7, 1998. Contact Marsha Milam at 512-478-4795 or via e-mail at austinfilm@aol.com, Jill McGuckin at 512-478-0578, or check out http://www.austinfilmfestival.org for more information.

Homewood residents concerned

about security should contact Regine in the Housing Office at 410-516-2961. Meetings with Carol Mohr are on Mondays at 4 p.m. and on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Homewood Conference Room.

The **Baltimore Alumni Chapter** is offering **free tickets** to some of its alumni events as part of a new alumni-student interaction initiative. Tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Contact Korkud Egrican at 410-516-0363 or via e-mail at korkud@jhu.edu for more information.

Students are needed to **tutor high school and middle school students** from the surrounding community schools. The Community Affairs Committee of Student Council is in the process of establishing a database of available Hopkins students from which to offer tutors. If you are interested in tutoring, e-mail Karen Shahar at khs1@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu to let her know what subject you would be interested in tutoring. As parents call, you will be contacted by the Office of Volunteer Services with the name and phone number of the tutee. No Hopkins student's name and phone number will be given to the tutee. The Hopkins tutor is responsible for contacting his/her tutee and setting up meeting hours. All tutoring will be conducted on the Homewood campus.

A **new comprehensive overview of Johns Hopkins** is now available in a single booklet. It's perfect for use in recruiting faculty, staff, and students, orienting visitors, and providing background about the university to anyone who might need it. The 28-page, four-color booklet, entitled simply *The Johns Hopkins University*, includes historical information, a brief look at the entire institution, and details about the nine principal divisions. There are interesting "factoids" and statistical "fast facts," and coverage of the university's libraries, international campuses, and academic centers and institutes. There is also a section on The Johns Hopkins Hospital and Health System. Copies are available for \$2.50 each, and the minimum order is 10 copies. For orders of 50-99 copies, the price is \$2.25 per copy; for orders of 100 or more, \$2 per copy. Contact Alicia Campbell or Gayle Hunter at 410-516-7109 for a sample copy. To place an order, complete an M&S form and either send it to Overview Booklet, Communications and Public Affairs, Homewood campus or fax it to 410-516-5251. Please include your name, campus address, phone number, the quantity you are ordering, and a budget number to be charged. Your order will be sent through campus mail, unless you request otherwise. Operation Smile is a volunteer medical services organization which raises funds in order for physicians to donate their time and skills to perform reconstructive surgery on children with facial and functional deformities. Students may have the opportunity view surgery and assist in patient care, as well as fund-raising. Contact Laura Santos at 410-467-2461 or e-mail Cara

Grimes at cara@jhu.edu for more information.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! Healthcare for the Homeless needs volunteers for a project. They are in the process of writing up a final report for a Grant they have from The Centers for Substance Abuse Treatment. Healthcare for the Homeless runs Abuse Counseling Groups and would like volunteers to interview members of the Group and get information on their experiences. Volunteers would interview clients and write responses to be included in the final report. Please donate several hours of your time for this worthwhile project. It would be a way to gain some experience with the work that Healthcare for the Homeless does. Additionally, you will almost certainly learn something new about the process of implementing a Grant. Contact Monica Heuer at 410-516-0491 for more information.

If you like working with children, why not volunteer at the **Waverly Family Center!** People are needed for the child development program in the mornings from 9 a.m. to noon. Transportation is provided from Levering Hall. Contact Irene at 410-366-7181 or the Office of Community Relations and Volunteer Services at 410-516-4777 for more information.

Got an hour to spare? **Moveable Feast** is seeking volunteers available Monday through Friday to help prepare or deliver meals for homebound people with AIDS in Baltimore city, county, and the surrounding areas. Call 410-243-4604 for more information and to find out how valuable an hour of your time can be.

HERO is in need of caring **volunteers** to become "buddies" to people living with HIV disease in the Baltimore Area. Contact Tracey Seabolt at 410-685-1180 for more information.

The **Center for Alternatives to Animal Testing** is soliciting proposals for the 1998-99 grant period. The proposal research should provide fundamental knowledge needed to develop replacement alternative tests for safety and/or hazard evaluation, risk assessment and efficacy of commercial products. Investigation is encouraged in in vitro approaches to evaluating cellular and target organ toxicity such as developing new cell culture systems, applying current testing methodology to human cells or call lines and designing new mechanistic state-of-the-art methods that may utilize cultured cells, computer technology, or any other system applicable to toxicity/efficacy evaluation. At the present time, CAAT does not fund projects relating to carcinogenicity or mutagenicity, or those not focused on developing testing strategies. The maximum grant award for this period is \$20,000. Applications must be placed on a CAAT Pre-proposal Abstract Form (98-99) which are available from Gloria Mahlstedt at CAAT, 111 Market Place, Suite 840, Baltimore, MD 21202-6709, by phone at 410-223-1693, by fax at 410-223-1603, or by e-mail at gloria@caat.spharbor.jhu.edu.

CINEMA

by Hosan Lee

Charles: 410-727-FILM

Riding the Rails (7:00)
Ma Vie En Rose (8:30)

General Cinema Towson Commons: 410-825-5233

Grease (12:00, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50)
L.A. Confidential (4:30, 7:40)
Primary Colors (1:00, 2:00, 4:00, 5:00, 7:00, 8:00, 10:00)
Meet The Deedles (12:15, 2:30, 4:40, 6:50, 9:00)
Good Will Hunting (12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30)
The Big Lebowski (1:15, 4:10, 6:40, 9:10)
Hush (7:15, 9:40)
The Borrowers (12:45, 2:45, 5:10)
Dangerous Beauty (1:30)

Loews Theatres White Marsh: 410-933-9034

Titanic (11:00, 12:15, 3:15, 4:30, 7:30, 8:50)
Grease (10:50, 1:15, 3:50, 6:55, 9:50)
The Man In The Iron Mask (12:35, 1:50, 3:30, 4:50, 6:45, 7:40, 9:10, 10:20)
Primary Colors (12:45, 2:55, 4:00, 6:15, 7:15, 9:20, 10:10)
The Newton Boys (10:40, 1:25, 3:40, 7:05, 10:00)
Good Will Hunting (11:10, 2:00, 5:00, 7:50, 10:30)
As Good As It Gets (11:55, 3:05, 6:25, 9:30)
Wild Things (11:25, 2:15, 5:40, 8:05, 10:50)
U.S. Marshals (11:35, 2:45, 6:35,

9:40)
Mr. Nice Guy (12:05, 2:25, 6:05, 8:15, 10:35)
Meet The Deedles (11:15, 1:40, 4:20, 6:30, 8:40)
The Wedding Singer (12:25, 2:35, 5:50, 8:25, 10:40)
Twilight (12:55, 3:00, 9:00)
The Big Lebowski (5:30, 11:00)

Orpheum Cinema: 410-732-4614

Shoot the Piano Player (7:30)
Sans Soleil (9:30)

The Senator: 410-435-8338

Titanic (12:00, 4:00, 8:00)

Sony Theatres Rotunda: 410-235-1800

The Apostle (1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:00)
Mrs. Dalloway (2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30)

United Artists Harbor Park: 410-837-3500

Ride (1:00, 2:10, 3:10, 4:20, 5:20, 7:00, 8:00, 9:10, 10:20)
Titanic (1:10, 5:00, 9:00)
The Newton Boys (1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00)
The Man In The Iron Mask (1:20, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00)
Wild Things (1:40, 4:10, 6:40, 9:20)
U.S. Marshals (12:50, 3:40, 6:30, 9:15)
Mr. Nice Guy (1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:40, 9:50)
Senseless (12:45, 3:00, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30)

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The Korean Students Association's Korean Cultural Banquet

Do you like the festive flavors of Korean food?

Do you want to enjoy vibrant cultural performances, such as the fan dance?

Come and celebrate Asian month at the Korean Students Association's premier Cultural Banquet!

This extravaganza of Korean Culture and fine foods will be held on the evening of Saturday, April 11, 1998 at the George Peabody Library. Everyone is invited to attend, however there will be a limited supply of tickets so please buy early. Our special guests will be Korean adoptees from Catholic Charities. Students from the Maryland Institute College of Art and the Peabody Music Conservatory will also be attending. The night will kick off with a performance of traditional Korean drums, followed by a delicious Korean dinner and continuous entertainment. The entertainment showcase includes: A traditional Korean Fan Dance (much like that performed at Culturefest), a fashion show of various Korean styles of dress and a featured talent show from KSA members. Throughout the night there will also be door prizes; You will automatically be entered into the raffle with your admission ticket. Prizes consist of various gift donations from Korean businesses in the Baltimore community.

So **remember**, make Saturday the 11th your Korean night for April's Asian month here at Hopkins. Look for upcoming flyers and ticket sales at Levering, Wolman and Terrace Court. Early Bird ticket prices are \$10 from April 6th and 7th; Regular price tickets are \$12 from April 8th-10th. Buy your ticket early to reserve your place at the premier Korean Cultural Banquet.

—by Michael Park, KSA VP Social

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Moving sale: window curtains (\$15) radiocassette (\$15), lamps (\$20), bed linen, tableware OBO, 410-662-7742.

Movado watch, beautiful two-tone ladies watch, gold dial, retail over \$600, sac \$335 obo; Ferraga leather purse, made in Italy-good condition, \$54 obo; some Versace items (belt, shirts). Great Christmas items. Contact Howard, email: hyoung@welchlink.welch.jhu.edu.

1992 Honda Accord LX, gray, 4 doors, automatic, air conditioner, ABS, 59,000 miles, excellent condition, \$12,900/best offer. Call DI 410-889-0301 (after 6 p.m. or diw@jhu.edu).

Full-sized sharp digital microwave with carousel for sale. Excellent condition, including original packaging. White w/ clock/time. Asking \$50. Ergonomic chair for \$10! Grey upholstery on knee and seat pads. Adjustable and on wheels. Please contact Christopher: cgardner@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu or 410-243-3208.

Ethan Allen 9-pc mahogany DR set \$4000 (like-new, half-price), Ethan Allen Oriental Breakfront \$2500, single bed set \$75. Call Jo, 410-461-0942.

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93 Dodge Shadow, white, auto, alc, 56 miles, ask \$4800.00/obo. Please call 410-823-2932 or 410-955-2944 (w).

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CAMERA, Olympus OM-88, SLR, for sale with flash. Camera has automatic settings for exposure and an adapter for manual settings. Lense on the camera is 28-70 mm zoom. \$200 obo. Email cyn@malt.cs.jhu.edu.

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Call 410-538-5853 after 5:30 p.m. Mon-Fri.

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Housemate wanted to share 2BR, 1BA house near JHU and shuttle. \$250/mo+ 1/2 utils. 410-366-2254 (eve) or yding@curie.eps.jhu.edu.

Female grad, non-smoker needed to share Fells Pt./Canton Rowhouse, large 2nd floor bedroom, great parking, two decks, harbor view, W/D. \$340/mo. + 1/2 utilities. Please call Kathy, 410-563-1236 or kromans@welchlink.welch.jhu.edu.

Grad to share 3 bedroom RH. Very close to Homewood Shuttle. \$230/mo. + 1/3 util. WD, plentiful parking. Avail Jan. 1. 410-235-4652. hachey@mts.jhu.edu.

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Wanted: 3rd person to share apartment in Wyman Towers Apartment Complex. The rent is approximately \$230/mo+ utilities. The room has wall to wall carpet and is available immediately. Call Ben or Dave at 410-366-8112 or page Ben at: 410-847-0067.

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Male, non-smoker to share large 2 bd/26th apt. Safe area, full kitchen, terrace with workout room, garage, swimming pool, and Chinese restaurant. \$455/month. Includes utilities except gas and electricity. Call 410-235-9140 ASAP.

F, grad/prof to share 2BR apt., off street parking, pool, exercise room. Near JHU, Loyola, Notre Dame. \$325/ month + 1/2 util. 410-433-7457.

Homes for Sale/Rent

Hampden: House for rent-3735 Falls Rd.-3 BER-LV-kitchen-near Rotunda.-Escort van range-\$575.00. Joe-410-889-8365 or 410-467-0006.

For Sale: Hampden, 3 BR, 1 BA townhouse overlooks park, many updates, great floor plan, fenced garden, in escrow van range, \$53,500. Anne 301-733-8860, x26 (w) or 301-665-1945 (H).

Federal Hill: Updated townhouse (furnished 2 bedrooms, office, 1 ba, patio) ideal for visiting faculty or researcher, no pets, from April 1, 1998 to August 26, 1998. \$800+ utilities + security deposit. t/410-659-9870.

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or Gina.

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For rent: Large 5 br rowhouse near campus avail. W/D, big rooms, alarm system, dishwasher, 410-889-5759 or gdgaddy@aol.com

Sublet large efficiency (Marylander, 3501 St. Paul), 2 mins to JHU. \$420/mo., + elect. (negot., original \$450), avail now. Lease ends 8/31/98. Martin 410-516-5207, 410-467-1991 or martin@gene.bio.jhu.edu.

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500 block N. Washington, 3BR, 2.5 BA, TH, newly renovated, near JHU security guard. 410-955-3968, Oleg.

Free furnished efficiency apt. (Roland Park) plus small stipend in exchange 16 1/2 hours childcare, housekeeping, errands, etc. Must be student, non-smoker with safe care. Call 467-0800

Available for sublet. 1BR in a 3 BR/2 BA apt. at 404, Ambassador Apts, Baltimore MD 21218. From Dec. 25th '97-Jan 28th '98. Rent \$310 (including water and heat) + utilities. Contact Umang Anand. Phone number 410-516-5427 (O) 410-889-5620 (H), umang@jhu.edu.

3 BR townhouse with a family room. Features, new gas stove, ceiling fan, vinyl floor, refrigerator, washer & dryer, gas heat, c/c, new carpet, remodeled bathroom, 1 1/2 bath. Nice size backyard with shed. Call Earl and Sandy, 410-282-7252.

Faculty on leave rents his updated townhouse (furnished 2 bedrooms + office) in Federal Hill to reliable tenant (ideal for visiting faculty or researcher) from December 19, 1997 to March 12, 1998 from March 21 to August 26, 1998. \$800/1000+ utilities negotiable. t/410-727-7794.

Sublet: Available now. Large studio apartment at the Hopkins House (39th Street). 12th Floor with sliding glass doors to balcony. Rent includes all utilities. Call Terri at 410-889-3298.

Two BR condo in Mount Vernon. Attractive, well maintained building and unit. Hardwood floors,

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Subleter needed for Spring Semester. Beautiful three bedroom, spacious apartment with all wood floors and awesome roommates. \$305/month + utilities. Across the street from the lacross field at 104 W. University Pkwy. For more information call Joslin @ 410-467-7816 or emiljoslin@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu.

Student Employment

For current student job lower listings, check out the *Student Job Webpage* at <<http://www.jhu.edu/~stdntjob>>, or call the Office of Student Employment and Payroll Services at 516-5411. Offices are located on the level of Merryman Hall. For more information call 410-366-4425.

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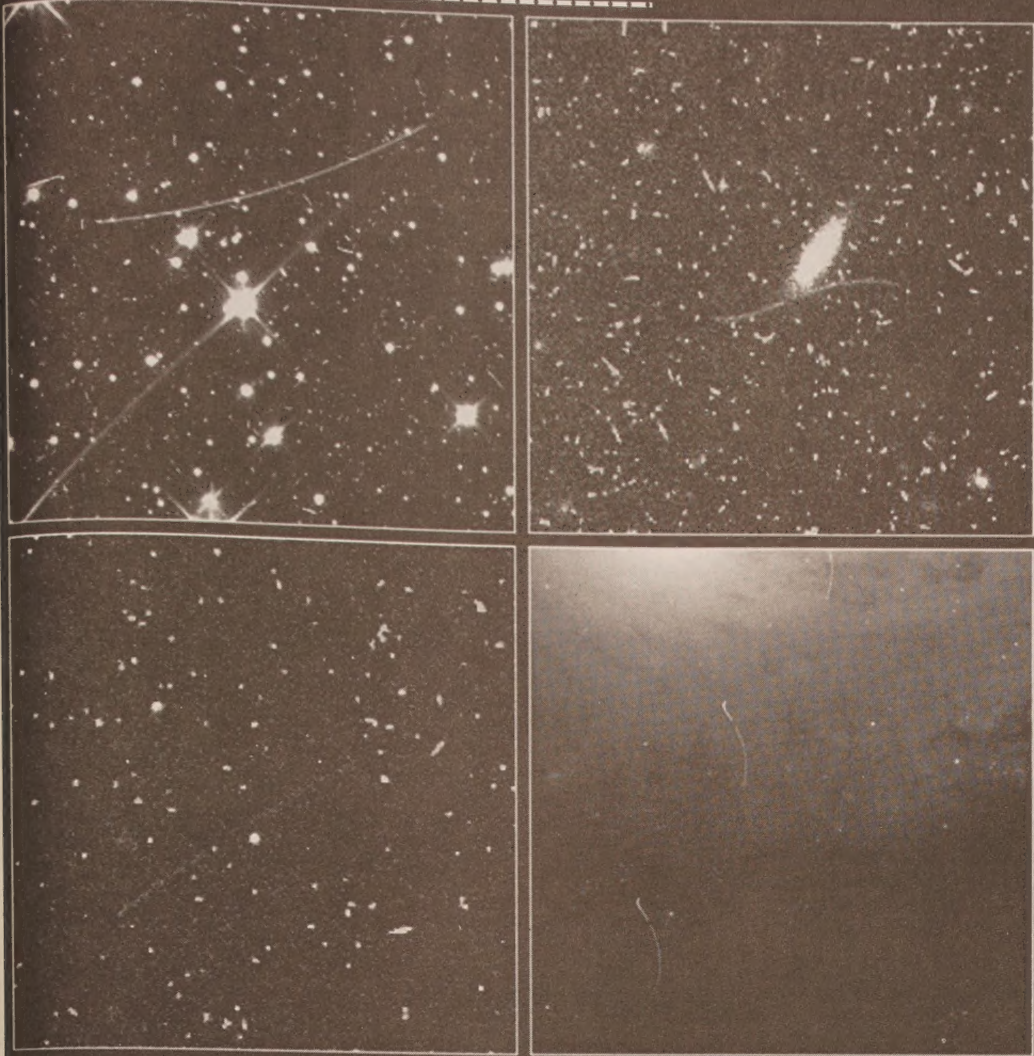
General Notices

JHU Spring Fair welcomes submissions for the photography contest with the theme, "Odyssey: the Journey of Life." Entry deadline is April 13th, 1998; prizes. For information: 410-516-7692.

Enhance your knowledge of Tropical Medicine at Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health's **Summer Institute in Tropical Medicine** July 6- August 29, 1998 Contact Angelissa Johnson Call 410-614-3959

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

ASTEROIDS!



Astronomers searching for asteroids have happened across more than 100 of their prey in an archive of images from the Hubble Space Telescope.

Robin Evans and Karl Stapelfeldt of NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab have turned their sights from the distant galaxies and supernovae that Hubble usually explores, finding that the big telescope is just as useful when hunting smaller game.

"The archival images are distributed fairly evenly across the sky," said Evans, "so we find asteroids according to both their position in the sky and their number."

Above are four sample images, courtesy of STScI, taken from the constellations Centaurus (top left), Leo (top right), Taurus (lower left), and from the outer regions of galaxy NGC 4548 (lower right).

The asteroids appear thanks to the curved trails they leave behind. According to Stapelfeldt, "Asteroid trails observed by the Hubble are usually curved because the telescope travels in a curved low-Earth orbit."

—Josh Greenberg

SCIENCEBRIEFS

Science panel wants more soot research

A panel of the National Academy of Sciences urged the government Monday to conduct intensive research to better determine the health threat posed by microscopic soot.

The committee said it was not attempting to evaluate the Environmental Protection Agency's decision last year to establish tougher federal health standards for such pollution, but only concluding that more research is needed to determine the extent of risk and who stands to be harmed most.

"The potential cost of ignorance is by no means limited to wasting considerable dollars and effort (from pollution controls), but, more important, failing to protect people from preventable harmful exposures," the scientific panel said in a report.

It urged a \$440 million research program over the next 13 years into the health threat from microscopic soot, or particulates. Such pollution, so small it is invisible to the naked eye, often comes from burning fossil fuels, industrial activity or even wind erosion.

"As the new standards begin to take effect, further research must be done to determine precisely which particles pose the greatest health risks and how," said Jonathan Samet, an epidemiologist at Johns Hopkins University and chairman of the special panel.

Congress asked the National Research Council to conduct a series of four studies in connection with the EPA's tougher standard.

since last summer's anniversary bash. Since then, gauging by the city's lodgers' tax, business is up 38 percent from last year, Johnson said.

The alien encounter festival also prompted more than 1,000 articles from March through December 1997, reaching 46.1 million people.

Roswell officials estimate they would have had to pay about \$4.45 million in advertising for the same exposure.

"No one can buy that kind of publicity," Johnson said.

Plans are under way to keep the tourists coming with a 51st anniversary celebration. Johnson said this year's encounter will have events all summer, beginning in June, with the main celebration set for July 3-5.

"This is just part of the great history of New Mexico," he said. "We have more living space and science history here than anyplace else. We really have an opportunity to capitalize."

Need a bypass? New treatment may help you grow your own

For the first time, doctors have shown that injections of a genetically engineered hormone can help people with bad hearts grow their own bypasses—an approach that could someday offer an alternative to surgery and angioplasty.

The hormone, which occurs naturally in the body, triggers the heart to sprout tiny vessels to carry blood around blockages that cause angina pain.

The results of the first experimental use, released Monday, showed that the treatment eased angina in 13 of the 15 people treated.

The results are considered very preliminary, and the doctors caution that much more testing will be needed to know precisely how well it works.

Nevertheless, Dr. Timothy D. Henry of the University of Minnesota, who directed the study, said, "We are excited by this. It is a unique approach to treating coronary artery disease."

About 1 million Americans a year undergo either bypass or angioplasty. A bypass involves grafting tiny pieces of blood vessel onto the heart to shuttle blood around blocked sections of artery. Angioplasty uses a tiny balloon, threaded into the heart, to squeeze open narrowed passages temporarily.

If all goes as the researchers hope, natural proteins called growth factors could offer a new alternative, especially for those who have already failed the standard approaches or cannot be helped by them.

In this experiment, doctors injected genetically engineered vascular endothelial growth factor, or VEGF (pronounced vedge-EFF). The protein is made by Genentech Inc., which paid for the experiment.

All of the men and women had serious chest pain and could not be treated by angioplasty or bypass surgery.

Among those helped was a man in his early 50s who had already had two bypasses and two angioplasties, yet was still crippled by angina. The Roswell has added 200 hotel rooms

growth hormone appeared to relieve his condition almost completely.

Doctors performed angiograms—X-ray movies of the heart arteries—on seven of the patients. Five of them showed significant growth of tiny blood vessels the width of a hair.

Others tests indicated that the patients' heart tissue was getting more oxygen.

Henry described the results at a meeting in Atlanta of the American College of Cardiology. The study was conducted at Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis and five other hospitals.

"This absolutely looks promising," said Dr. Judith L. Swain of Stanford University. "This is a technology that's here."

Dr. Michael Mann of Harvard Medical School called the research "a critical and bold step that sets the stage for larger studies" to answer whether this approach truly works.

Man who underwent about 120 heart procedures doing well

A man who has undergone about 120 heart operations in the last 13 years was doing well after receiving treatment from a doctor who takes in difficult cases.

Carl Strehle, 52, has suffered from the crushing pain of angina since his first heart attack in 1984.

Strehle underwent an 11-hour coronary bypass at St. Francis Hospital after Milwaukee heart surgeon Dudley Jonson took his case. Strehle said he has not had an episode of chest pain since the operation on Wednesday—the longest he has gone without such pain in more than a decade.

In the past 13 years, Strehle has undergone 53 angioplasties and as many as 70 cardiac catheterizations at hospitals in four states.

Now, he said, "I look forward to just being able to stroll down the aisle at the grocery store." Previously such modest exertion would have caused his inadequately oxygenated heart to ache.

In all the years he underwent heart procedures, he said, cardiologists never recommended surgery until March 13 when he was hospitalized in Mesa, Ariz., where he and his wife, Jo Ann, live.

The cardiologist contacted Johnson, who has been willing to take on the most difficult of heart surgery cases.

During the operation, Johnson removed about 15 inches of plaque from Strehle's arteries, which had prevented properly oxygenated blood from reaching the heart muscle.

Johnson said he once had a patient who had about 40 previous angioplasties, but this is his new record.

Strehle is scheduled to have an automatic defibrillator implanted in his chest today. The device will shock his heart into a normal rhythm should it suddenly develop an abnormal pattern.

Then he will undergo more cardiac catheterization to check everything out one more time.

The shortest Website of the Week ever

JOSH GREENBERG
Website of the Week

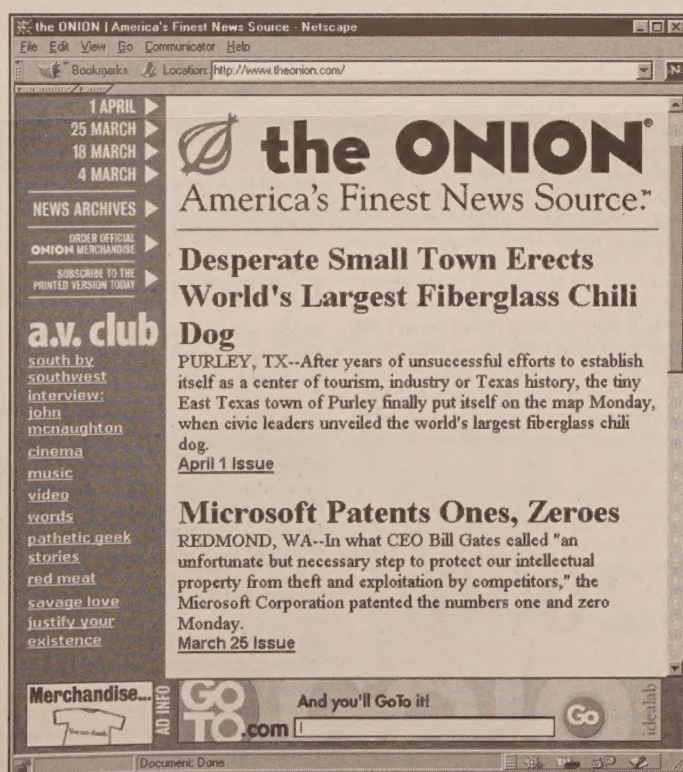
Okay, so due to a severe space crunch, this is all the room I've got for this week's column. Just as well, really, 'cause this week's site is a no-brainer. Kick back, relax, and follow these simple instructions:







1. Start the browser of your choice.
2. Type <http://www.theonion.com> into the space at the top.
3. Hit return.
4. Read.

It's The Onion, the funniest damn place to get the news that ain't really the news. It's published in Wisconsin, for God's sake, so they've got to have a sense of humor about it.







So check it out. The Onion. It's funny.

Questions, comments, suggestions for Website of the Week can be sent to josh@jhu.edu. Brevity counts.






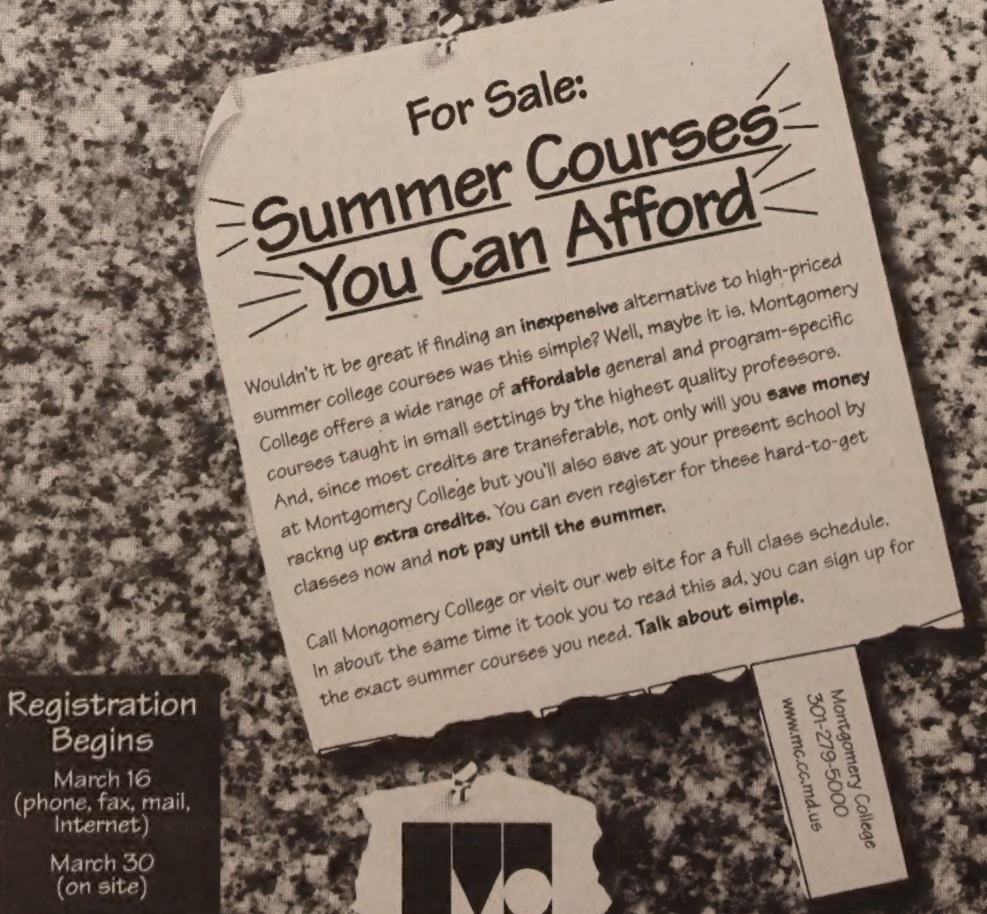
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student council elections

The primary elections will be held Monday April 6th and Tuesday April 7th. Students can vote at the AMRII mailroom, the Wolman lobby from 10-7 or Levering Market from 11-3. The run-off will be on the following Monday and Tuesday.

Class of 1999 President

Sonal Agarwal

Hi, my name is Sonal Agarwal and I would like to be your senior class president. As your current class president, I have worked with the class officer group to implement many successful events this year including; a class community service day at the Barclay Elementary School (complete with class T-shirts!), the Jr./Sr. Halloween formal, dessert and E-level socials, and free movie nights among other activities. I am very enthusiastic about next year and I have many innovative ideas for numerous and exciting social activities, places to go for senior week, and possible speakers for commencement. I have the experience and dedication to be an effective leader and I would welcome the opportunity to make senior year fun and memorable for everyone. If you vote Sonal, I guarantee you won't be disappointed!. Thanks

Puneet Chopra

PUNEET CHOPRA, A FAMILIAR FACE AND SMILE IN THE CROWD :) YOUR LEADER: Experienced, committed, dedicated, and responsible. Your current Class of 1999 Vice President (the social chair). He helped organize and establish many events including The World Trade Center Semi-Formal, Ice Skating at the Harbor, E-Level nights, Free Kaplan Course Raffle, Unity 1997, Tickets to the Oriole's Opening Series, and much, much more. A person who goes the extra mile working for us. Changing the drink policy in the library, the M.S.E being open 24 hours during finals, a new coffee shop in the library, improving campus security, health center improvements, etc.. Puneet has made a difference in your life. Working hard for us he wants to use his experience to continue to accomplish great things. He has the ability, experience, knowledge and energy. Puneet Chopra has proven that if you make the right choice, he has and will deliver. A great and unprecedented graduation speaker, disorientation, senior week, the senior formal, an amazing senior year, and tons of social events! It's your choice, make sure you make the RIGHT CHOICE! vote PUNEET for PRESIDENT for the Class of 1999! :)

Shar Tavakoli

Hi everyone, this is Shar and I'm running for Senior Class President. For the past three years I have served as your secretary, your vice-president, and your treasurer, and now I'm asking for your vote for Senior Class President. The senior class officer corps is charged with securing the commencement speaker for graduation, one of the key highlights of our senior year. Last year our commencement speaker was Dr. Tim Johnson. Who's Tim Johnson? That's what I asked when I learned he was speaking. That's the problem. The year 1999 is a special year, marking the end of the millennium and the conclusion of our undergraduate experience. We deserve a speaker that is not only top-caliber, but also a well recognized personality — a speaker we can be proud to tell our friends and family to show for our hard work here. A well-known figure we will remember. When deciding who to vote for, ask yourself who will aggressively pursue a prominent speaker? Who will work tirelessly to this end? Unlike my opponents, I will not be serving as a RA next year and will dedicate all my efforts to the Class of 1999. Thank you and best wishes.

Vice President

Grace Lee

Hello. My name is Grace Lee and I am running for the position of Vice President of the Class of 1999. Thinking about the upcoming year, I realize that in our last year at Hopkins, I would really love to be active in the planning of our Senior events. The primary role of the Vice President would be to act as the Social Director for our class. I feel that I've gained a lot of experience in social programming by being a member of the HOP, by working as both the social director and President of my sorority, and by participating in the programming of various organizations on campus. Next year, I would like to devote all my energy to make our last year the best that it can possibly be. I hope you will allow me the opportunity to serve you as Senior Class Vice President. Thank you for your time, Grace Lee

Kevin Sheth

SENIOR CLASS TRIP, COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER, DISORIENTATION, FORMALS, SENIOR NIGHTS . . . The expectations are great for an exciting senior year. After three years of hard work, I know that you look forward to spending a great time with your friends at Hopkins. Your class officers have a tremendous amount of responsibility in putting together first rate programming. I know that much is expected of me with respect to coordinating innovative, fun ideas for our entire class. With two years of experience on Student Council on the Ethics Board, Curriculum committee, and as Academic Affairs chair, I know I have acquired the diplomacy and experience needed in your class officers. When you have to choose who you want organizing a whitewater-rafting trip or scheduling a commencement speaker, what do you look for? You want someone who is confident, assertive, and willing to listen to your ideas. Above all, I ask that you get involved in your senior year regardless of who you vote for. Input among friends and colleagues is the most valuable asset we have. I hope that you'll find that I can do the best job. Vote KEVIN SHETH, VICE PRESIDENT, CLASS OF 1999. Thanks for your support.

Secretary/Treasurer

Josh Dishon

Experience Commitment Responsibility Trust Who: JOSHUA DISHON What: Secretary/Treasurer of OUR Senior Class Why: After two years of Student Council Homewood Student Affairs Committee involvement, I have decided that I wish to take on a larger role both with student council and the general student body. Our Senior year is a very important year. With events and activities such as the SENIOR FORMAL, DISORIENTATION, SENIOR WEEK, and selecting our GRADUATION SPEAKER you want someone on the executive board of your class who can represent you best. Someone who comes with a long list of experience, dedication, and success. Experience: Through my involvement with HSA I was able to work with Student Council and accomplish tasks such as renovating the game rooms in both Wolman and McCoy, and alleviating recurring concerns residents have had with Housing and Residential life. I have also participated on committees spanning from the renovation of the Snack Bar to Academic Ethics at JHU. I have gained personal skills and strength through Resident Advisor training and leadership conferences which I have attended. VOTE JOSHUA DISHON SECRETARY/TREASURER

Moin Hussaini

As senior year and the end of our Johns Hopkins years quickly approach, there is no doubt that in our collective class conscience, there is a great deal of retrospection as to how our past three years have gone. For example, do you remember the good times you spent with the people who lived down the hall from you freshman year? How often do you get to see them, now that everyone lives off-campus? As Secretary/Treasurer, it would be my utmost agenda to ensure that the senior class returns to a similar level of intimacy as we had freshman year. This will entail using my position as Secretary to ensure greater availability of information, as well as using my position as Treasurer to fund events that facilitate the congregation of seniors (including more social events). I intend on maximizing resources for these social events by collaborating with several campus organizations-from other classes to clubs. For those who are savvy enough to find it, money is rarely an issue on this campus. This fact, in tandem with my firm commitment to improving our social scene, guarantees a greater focus on social events by next year's Council if I am elected.

Representative

Harprie A. Juneja

For those of us in the Class of 1999, it goes without saying that next year will be enormously important in regards to the way we remember our undergraduate years here at Johns Hopkins. The goals of next year's Council must, therefore, be to ensure that our fellow Seniors' collective ends are adequately met and that the Senior year proceeds as smoothly and as enjoyable as possible. As a Spring 1997 transfer from the University of Southern California Film School, I know firsthand what a true undergraduate experience feels like. It is an experience largely centered on social interaction and on experiencing things that we as adults will likely never be able to do again. In other words: eat, drink, and be merry today, for tomorrow we join the "real world." Given that, it is imperative that the Senior Council places a tremendous focus upon social events (more E-Level nights, barbecues, etc.). Such events must be made a priority and the onus of initiative lies squarely with the Senior Council to do so. If elected to Council, I will work closely with the class Treasurer and President to ensure that funding for social activities is available and efficiently allocated.

Ed Hosono

!!!FUN!!! That is what we should have during the last year at our beloved Hopkins. For more than 2 years, I have had a great experience as a student leader on this campus, and I think I would be very qualified as a Representative for the Class of 99. I have been in Student Coucil for two years, as Vice President during Sophomore year, and as a Class Representative during Junior Year. I also have been involved in various cultural groups. As a Representative of the Class 99, I would like to help the Vice President plan and organize fun social events and help seniors to get involved in community services. I also would like to assist Academic Affairs and Career Services in helping students with post graduate plans. Thank you, Ed Hosono

Nick Khatri

Hey, what's up!!! My name is Nick Khatri and I'm running for Representative of the Class of 1999. I'm a simple guy, with simple needs, and I'm sure most of you are the same. That's why I want to keep this election simple. I'm not going to make any absurd promises such as instantly making Hopkins a better school academically or socially, but I will promise to do my best to slowly achieve these goals. Over the past year as representative of our class and a member of COLA (Committe of Leadership Appointments), I have worked hard to make Hopkins a more enjoyable and fair place. With the hope of having more Senior Night events and more weekly events for the upcoming year, I hope to help the Class of 1999 be remembered as the best class to ever graduate from Hopkins. These goals can not be achieved overnight, but instead can be the fruits of hard work and dedication - two concepts which I embody. I will work hard for you, my fellow Seniors-to-be, and dedicate my term on Student Council for the betterment of not only our class but more imporatrntly Hopkins as a whole.

Class of 2000

President

Feras Mousilli

The President of the Class of 2000 is a challenging position; with almost every one of us living off campus, it would be the duty of the class president to maintain cohesion in our social life. I know you will see your close friends often enough, but what about the "maybe friends" - the ones that lived on your floor, that cute girl/guy that you would run into in the laundry room, the people you ate brunch with last Sunday? I believe that it is about time for a RE-ORIENTATION, a weekend that brings our class together, where we can forget about schoolwork and bond as a class. A day-trip to Ocean City, or another club night at Baja. And to follow through during the semester, well have two social events a month, a shuttle taking us all to DC, an E-level night for juniors, and much more. I will make it my personal commitment to make all these events happen. Its very simple. Im experienced, competent, but most importantly, I know how to have fun. So if you want CLASS back in your social life, make it a point to vote FERAS MOUSILLI for class of 2000 president.

George Soterakis

Class of 2000, My name is George Soterakis and I want to serve as your Class President. This year I have been your representative on Student Council. I have made service to our class my first priority. If elected I will continue my hard work and dedication in ensuring that student government represents you. I will bring back the comprehensive student course guide, "The Oracleum." Since many of us will be living off campus, I will create a social network which will present a calendar of social events for the semester. Finally, we should take advantage of our alumni who are willing to help us. Thus, I will establish an alumni network that will allow the Class of 2000 to gain important internship information and interact with alumni. We have a chance to make the Class of 2000 the finest class at The Johns Hopkins University. I will see to it that this goal is accomplished so that we may leave our lasting legacy at JHU. VOTE GEORGE SOTERAKIS FOR PRESIDENT.

Vice President

Omar Nour

Hey guys, What's up? Guess who? Yep, it's me again, the love doctor!!! Let me just tell you, this year has been absolutely stupendeous! I have helped even more of you get together. I must say it left my mouth agape, it left me in a state of absolute conundrum! This up coming year, I want to move into a whole new dimension: I want to hook you girls and guys up with the beautiful people of other higher learning institutions around Hopkins such as Loyola, Towson, Gaucher and, why not, even CONDOM. Girls, don't worry, I'll make it up to you (please keep in mind that this list is in no way inclusive and that local high schools may be added at any time by request). Anyways, in the mist of your rigorous studying, remember to take some time off to organize a field trip from the library to the voting booths to vote for me and all those other beautiful people. It will be a good break, trust me! Just remember, you've done it twice, you can do it three times! Until then, study hard! The summer is almost here and the 1998 Annual Beach Volleyball Tournament that I am organizing is coming up so hang in there! Love, Hugs and Kisses Omar

Eugene Suk

I would like to introduce myself as seeking the position of Vice President of the class of 2000. As a representative of the class at the Student Activities Commission and member on the HOP, I will make it my personal goal to guarantee that the feelings and attitudes of every student in our class are heard. What will I do if elected? As we all prepare to move out of the dorms, I propose that a monthly newsletter be sent to your school post office boxes or most likely, even to your home. In conjunction with the secretary/treasurer, I will attempt to provide a scheduled series of events that will allow us to plan ahead and actually attend them. I also suggest shuttles to Towson and Inner Harbor, as well as another to Washington DC, be provided for students. Lastly, in efforts to further unify our class, I will attempt to organize class trips to locations such as Atlantic City and other cities around Baltimore. I promise you all that I have many new ideas and an original outlook on how the quality of student life can be improved, so please remember Eugene Suk for Vice President on voting day.

Secretary/Treasurer

Dan Ahdoot

As a current member of the Class of 2000 Social Programming Board, I listen to a lot of bitching and moaning from the student body. If elected, those moans will turn into cries of ecstasy. And no, this isn't because I'm going to be making house calls, it's because I am going to see to it that our class has the best social life since the invention of the hula-hoop. How am I going to do this? Very easily, because I'm going to be dealing with problems that are close to home and that affect me personally. If I feel like the school is dead and that there's nothing to do, the disco ball is coming out. I'll do all that I can to get things moving. In the immortal words of Puff Daddy, "It's all about the Benjamins." The class is given more money than I raked in on my Bar Mitzvah. The secret is knowing how to use it most effectively. You will not be disappointed by putting me in charge of such a task. And remember, PUT AHDOOT IN CHARGE OF THE LOOT.

Ishaq Syed

Dear Class '00, Hi. My name is Ishaq Syed and I am running for Secretary/Treasurer. I currently serve as a member of the Social Board for our class as well as the Auxiliary Enterprises Student Advisory Board. It would be an honor and privilege to represent my classmates and I am confident that I can perform the duties of this position efficiently, honestly and with integrity. I would like to take this opportunity to encourage all my classmates to come out and please VOTE. This is a way each individual can express their opinion and successfully help advance desired changes. As Secretary/Treasurer I hope to keep the class well informed of up coming events and encourage input/ideas for events from everyone. I encourage anyone who has questions or comments to feel free to contact me. Thank you all for your time and consideration.

Candice Walsh

Hello, fellow students, my name is Candice Walsh. I am a sophomore and a political science/premedicine major. The position I am running for is Secretary / Treasurer of the Class of 2000. The duty of the Secretary/ Treasurer is to keep the class well informed and be the custodian of all class funds. I, Candice Walsh know that I have the qualifications for Secretary / Treasurer. As a part of my high school community, Notre Dame Preparatory School, I was Secretary, Vice President, and as a senior I was President of the Christian Community Awareness Program (CCAP). Now, as a part of the JHU community, I participate in track and field, tutoring with the Office of Volunteer Services and was Recording Secretary and Community service chair of the NAACP. This year as a part of the NAACP, I organized a Christmas Party for 169 children from Baltimore and many more activities. As Secretary / Treasurer, I, Candice Walsh would like to facilitate more interaction among the sophomore class on an academic and social level. I would like to have more fundraisers so that we can do different and exciting activities such as a trip to Florida for Spring Break. I would like to create a more innovative way to communicate with the class besides flyers and e-mail. VOTE Candice Walsh on April 6th and April 7th 1998.

Representative

Randy Baron

Fellow Sophmores- As we approach the halfway mark of our collegiate careers, now is the time to assess what we have accomplished and decide what we hope to. We know the many strengths of Hopkins; still, there is need for improvement. Would you like an enhanced academic advising system? A better rapport with the Office of Career Services? Improved interaction between students and faculty? Or even a make over of the Homewood campus? On Monday and Tuesday, it will happen if we make it happen. We only have two years left; let's make them rock. Blow a breath of fresh air into student council. Vote Randy Baron for Student Representative.

David Bauer

Am I a nobody? Well, maybe not. I have never before thought about running for student council, but vying for the class of 2000 Rep position is not an errant whim. I feel there is a void on council because all three of our present Class Reps are stepping down or running for other offices. With my experience in other campus clubs and organizations, I can fill this void by pledging my hard work, commitment, and dedication to the student council. I have started a neuroscience honor society, NPY, and have been active in implementing a neuroscience mentoring program at Hopkins. I have a weekly News-Letter column, and I am the Assistant-Station Manager at WHSR. Did you see our fraternity Rush booklet for 1998? I volunteered around 400 hours of my time to compile and publish this book as the Inter-Fraternity Council Rush chair. As your Class Rep, I pledge to implement your ideas through my time and hard work.

Rafi Isaac

My name is Rafi Isaac and I am running for Class of 2000 representative. I have loved Hopkins from day one and can speak fondly of many experiences I have had here. At the same time, I am able to recognize the enormous challenges Hopkins faces and I am familiar with many issues pertaining to academics and student life which still need to be addressed. I have been involved extensively in student life here at Hopkins and currently hold two leadership positions. During the last year, I have observed Student Council meetings carefully and have participated in the Homewood Student Affairs and Diversity committees of council. The Homewood Campus has undergone immense changes in both student composition and student life over the past few years. The changes occurring in these next few years will further the transformation of this campus towards the incredible potential that it could attain. It is unequivocally crucial that, both, the administration and the Student Council weigh equally the concerns of students of all academic and extra-curricular interests if the transition is to be a successful one. Thank you very much for your time and I encourage all of you to vote on Election Day!

Andrea Katz

Hi my name is Andrea Katz and I am running for Representative of the class of 2000. If elected I would like to help bring some changes to the Homewood campus. The main thing I would like to do is to help increase pride and school spirit in our class. There seems to be a lack of participation from many students in organized events and, I would like to change that by increasing the number of people involved in our class. I propose to do this through planning more social activities that appeal to a majority of students. Some suggestions I have are: Junior class paintball, an Olympics on the quad, more Dollar Draft Nights at E-level, Homecoming events and a traditional dance, free movie nights and more picnics on the beach. Also, I would like to help improve campus life by having additional shuttles to the mall and the inner harbor, expanding seating and lowering prices at Levering, and opening more homework helprooms on the weekends. Mainly, though, I would like to represent the class because I would like to see more juniors come together as a community before graduation.

Omar Khan

As we prepare to move off-campus and establish ourselves, I look back and I can't help but feel nostalgic. Our newfound freedom from the dorms, Wolman Station, and campus life in general, is tempered by a loss of the unity that has penetrated our class for the last two years. We can't help but feel anxious about issues we've never had to deal with before: off-campus housing, crime and security, parking, meals, etc. I am completely dedicated to making sure that this transition is a painless one. Some of my more important issues are:

- increase off-campus security (patrols, security phones, etc.)
- free, monthly Junior class social events at E-level or clubs in Fells Point
- parking deals with garages at the Marylander, Union Memorial, etc.
- shuttle vans running to and from the Harbor and Towson

My campaign hinges around issues of the present- simple, attainable solutions we can look forward to within months of elections, not years. These concerns have been voiced again and again, yet they continue to be unheard. Until now.

Vote for Unity. Vote for the Present. Vote Omar Khan.

Nathan Miller

I have been bombarded by comments such as Students should actually say what they're gonna do because right now it's just a popularity contest. Too often, adequate representatives for the responsibilities at hand are not elected. In an effort to share my platform instead of turning this election into a popularity contest, I intend to clearly identify my goals and expectations for next year. To accomplish the many duties of a class officer, my strategy for class representation will be to:

- 1) Unify the class through events, trips and meetings, to make college both interesting and enjoyable.
- 2) Listen to and argue for the views, attitudes, opinions and concerns of the class as a whole.
- 3) Maintain an open mind, optimistic outlook and organized plan.

I developed a strong high school background in peer leadership, having served in numerous positions ranging from Treasurer to Athletic Director to Class Representative. In college, I have gained skills through holding positions of leadership in clubs both on and off campus, including Treasurer of the Inter-Fraternity Council and Administrator of the MSE Symposium. I am eager to work to the best of my ability to serve my class, and if elected Junior Class Representative, the aforementioned pledge with be served with integrity and dedication.

Samir Patel

I'll be the first to agree that major changes need to be implemented to improve Hopkins social life. A social life ranking of 297 out of 300 is nothing to be proud of. However, there are issues that are critical, and have far more priority that we will all face in our junior year. Let's face it: by our junior year, the thoughts of graduation and career choices have started to plant themselves in our minds. Each one of wants to profit from the name and reputation of this university when we graduate, whether it means getting a good job or getting into a good graduate school, but how much can we actually profit from it? The university receives over \$30,000 dollars per student and in return gives us C/C- curves and a difference of 0.4 between a B+ and an A-. It may be profitable for them but is this grade deflation profitable for us?

There are many voices that are working hard to improve our social atmosphere, but voices are needed to revolutionize our academic atmosphere as well. I truly believe the combination of the two will help boost our social ranking as well. As class representative, I will find solutions to these problems that affect us as a class. Make the choice for our future. Make the choice for the best. Vote Samir Patel.

Joe Yoon

Hi. My name is Joe Yoon and I am running for representative. First, a little about myself: I'm from Massachusetts, a Poli-Sci/Economics major, and I enjoy singing and photography. Now that you know a little about me, let me tell you why you should vote for me. I will work hard for you. I cannot say anything beyond that. I wish I could promise a better Hopkins, but I can't. Instead, I can only promise to do my job and work hard at representing you. My main goal for next year is to change food service. I was on food committee this past year and beyond griping that the pasta was dry, we pushed towards giving students more meal plan options. This was in the hopes that some day you could flex a Coke at Royal. I have other thoughts but limited space, so if you are interested then come talk to me. On election day it is important that you come out and vote, for these are the people who will be guiding the events that influence your life over the next year. Hopefully, you will trust me to be one of those people and vote Yoon for representative.

Class of 2001 President

Kristi Korzec

There is much to love about JHU, and more specifically, the class of 2001. Hopkins students share the goal of academic success but do not limit their talents to the classroom. A goal for next year is keeping our class united. Making one's presence known on campus individually is difficult, but by working together we have the opportunity to achieve greatness. The Class of 2001 can offer much to the Hopkins community as well as to the Charles Village. Social events are crucial to keeping connections between classmates. More functions held off campus that are more applicable to the whole class will be a priority. As a class, community service will not be a chore, but an activity that will allow us to extend our influence and our talents beyond the walls of JHU. We can

improve the lives of many children living right next door by adopting a local school, conducting food drives, or even helping in a women's shelter. It is up to us as a class. My resume at Hopkins includes Homewood Student Affairs, Resident Advisory Board, as well as BIA representative of Building A. HSA in particular has served as wonderful experience in implementing change quickly and effectively. The ideas I have put forth are just that: ideas. I am committed to representing the collective wants and needs of the class. I will listen. I'm willing to take the time to make myself available to questions and complaints. Vote Kristi Korzec for President of the Class of 2001.

Harish Manyam

It has been a great year as your president. First of all, I said I would extend Meal Equivalency and I did. Breakfast meal equivalency now starts at 10:30 AM and ends at 11:14 AM, as opposed to before when it went from 11:00-11:14 AM. This is a small step on the road to improvements in the meal plan. I also want to change the meal system to a 10 meal plan and the rest to flex dollars. This will give you the flexibility to use your flex dollars for either the Snack Bar or Wolman/Terrace. Upcoming things like the Bank Survey, which will be distributed at voting booths, hope to increase the hours of the bank. Social Events like the upcoming Barbeque on the Quad which is already planned will have great food and possibly a DJ from 102.7 with prizes such as shirts and CD's. It was a hard job to get used to. It takes time and commitment to familiarize yourself with this job. I have made that time commitment and worked hard to get acquainted with the job. The important thing now is the experience that will lead you to the future.

Vice President Jomo Smith

Who are we and more importantly, where are we going? We are the class of 2001, the first class of the new millenium. This means that we have a special purpose and an ultimate destiny. Not only are we destined for greatness but we are also destined to change the world. But let's get past all that philosophical quibbling. For now, our world is 3400 North Charles Street. We are at a university, as President Brody so aptly states, that is young at heart and still brash in our second hundred years. So what does this all mean to you? It means that you and I are here to continue that legacy of brashness. I would like to continue the legacy that makes us unique. Let me be the one to lead this class in a social revolution that will change life, as we know it, at Hopkins. I will strive for more activities that foster unity and strength in numbers. We may not be the largest class but imagine the impact we can make. I am a man of experience and a man who will work hard for you. So on April 6 and 7, I challenge you to do the right thing. VOTE Jomo Smith for Vice President of the Class of 2001.

Kara Wiard

Hello again class of 2001, it's your favorite time of your once more. Yep, Student Council class elections!! Don't all cheer at once now... well if you you haven't stopped reading I'd like you to know it has been my pleasure to serve you as your class Vice President this year, helping to bring you the Holiday Party at E-level, the Freshman Class Talent Show, club night at Bohager's and smaller events like cocoa on the quad and some other events we co-sponsored. In addition, I, along with the other class officers have represented our class interests to the Student Council as a whole, working to improve student life in areas like dining and banking services. I am running for class Vice President so that I can continue to serve you in the same way I have been privileged to this year. As we head into our sophomore year, I'd like to address your concerns once again. Things I hope to work on for next year include addition of a general store in Wolman which would allow students to meal equiv like they do now in the Snack Bar, improved academic advising services; as well as other concerns which I hope to discuss with you in the coming weeks. I look forward to talking with you all soon and don't forget to vote next Monday and Tuesday!

Secretary/Treasurer Neil Dalal

HEY EVERYONE! My name is Neil Dalal and I would like to be our next Secretary/Treasurer. Freshman year has been great, but as we become sophomores, we will be moving onto bigger and better things. That's exactly why you need someone who is experienced, committed, and has a whole lot of fresh, new ideas for our class. Next year most of us will be living in Wolman and McCoy. That is exactly why we need a snack bar in Wolman. This is so we don't have to trek all the way over to AMR 2 to get our meal equivalency. This year, I have been a member of the JHU Food and Beverage Committee and feel I this will help me in working with the administration in bringing a late-night food establishment to where a majority of our class will live next year. Another issue I would like to work on is better pairing up of students with advisors. Many of us had difficulties this year having an advisor outside of our area of interest. I hope to take your suggestions and work with Academic Advising in improving this for next year. Come to me with any suggestions you have and on April 6th and 7th, VOTE FOR NEIL DALAL!

Jaime Lavin

I aim Lavin: seeking office of Class of 2001 Secretary/Treasurer. A person you can trust to serve our class with the degree of excellence our class deserves. I want to represent your views, opinions, and ideas and plan the activities you desire. My priority as Secretary/ Treasurer will be keeping you informed and therefore able to be involved, as well as allocating our funds in a manner that benefits you. Experience at Hopkins: Class of 2001 Social Chair, Residential Advisory Board, Blue Key Society, Kappa Alpha Theta: Alternate Panhellenic Delegate, Homewood Student Affairs Committee, Circle K, desktop publishing asst. for CSOS

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If you elect me as your next Secretary/ Treasurer I can promise you that I will work to the best of my abilities and be open to your thoughts at all times.

Never forget that this is OUR class, not the officers', so please choose someone who will work for you, please vote JAIME LAVIN for Class of 2001 Secretary/ Treasurer.

Ramesh Singa

My dearest Class of 2001: Hello. My name is Ramesh M. Singa and I am running for the Secretary/Treasurer position. I would appreciate your vote. As the incumbent of this position, I have already distinguished the characteristics needed for the Secretary/Treasurer of a university. As secretary, I have dutifully sent emails to the class informing you of upcoming events, activities, deadlines for paperwork, etc. As treasurer, I have extended the life of our budget to include many events for you and the school-raised monies, found the least expensive prices, and satisfied the class. I have attended every student council meeting and contributed to the delegation that occurred. President of Student Council, Matthew Scherneck, has praised the Class of 2001 officers as the hardest working officers ever and applauded the financial officers for their hard work and initiative for the Class of 2001 budget proposals. I encourage all of you to vote in the primary and runoff elections. My deepest regards go to the present officers for their commitment and to the Class of 2001 for your support. Peace and love.

Representative

Stephen Brown

If you're reading this, you are likely trying to make an informed decision on who to vote for. And for doing that, I commend you. Most just vote for their friends or whoever has the coolest posters. Yet among all the Orgo, Calc, IFP, and other things that inhabit your life, you care about the future of your class, the first class of the next millenium. By now you've hopefully noticed that I keep saying YOU. It's YOU who I hope to represent, who I hope to make YOUR life here a little better. Here, I am just a somewhat ordinary guy, with a few quirks, like all of us. I don't profess to be perfect; hey, I rarely try to be. I make mistakes, I flub up tests sometimes, it happens. But sometimes I do the right thing, I help a friend, I solve a killer physics problem for the group. No matter what, I know I can do a good job and represent you. So do the right thing for yourself and vote Stephen Brown for Representative of the Class of 2001. If you wish for more information about me, visit my webpage at [HYPERLINK http://jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu/~sfb1](http://jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu/~sfb1) <http://jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu/~sfb1>

Haroon Chaudhry

Hello Class of 2001, my name is Haroon Chaudhry and I'm running to become your class representative. I believe that I'm qualified for this position because I have some experience earlier in high school on Student Council on a smaller scale than here. But also since I don't have any other extra-curricular activities I will be dedicated to the class of 2001. Being one of the few Hopkins students that finds him/herself with free time, I feel I can use it to help my class. One aspect of our lives that I want to improve is academic advising. Advisors should be chosen as the faculty members with the most free time to get to know advisees on an individual basis. They should also be the faculty members who can be accessed easier. I also think that the quality of the bands and social events that occur on campus can be improved. I want to make the social environment on this campus similar to those of larger universities. One way is to help bring Hopkins sponsored events to the Baltimore area make the city more of a college environment. Thank you for your time and I hope you will elect me.

Eva Chen

Hey everyone- my name is Eva Chen and I'd like to be your sophomore representative. This year has been full of firsts for all of us- we've all been exposed to more people and experiences (like Orgo...) than ever before. As the year draws to a close, it's important to keep the level of fun and excitement that was present in the beginning of the year going on strong next year too. If elected, I'd like to start the year off with a number of social events designed to reacquaint oneself with Hopkins life and to bridge the gap between McCoy and Wolman residents. Some examples of such events would be E-Level nights, Orioles games, and those ever-popular beach BBQs. On a more serious level, if elected, I would also work to improve faculty-student interaction by improving advising and also by organizing open houses such as the ones we had earlier this year, that allowed one to meet many professors from one's intended field of study. As for why I am qualified to represent you, I have the year of experience gained from serving as your freshmen representative. Thus far, I have been a part of planning the talent show, the E-Level night that was in December (and the upcoming one in April), and also the upcoming Bohager's Night. Other activities I'm involved in include CSA (class rep.), MUN, and the Newsletter. Thanks for your time, and don't forget to vote EVA CHEN for sophomore representative!

Rob Feldmeier

We've all changed alot since we first came to Hopkins in August. As a class, we've grown closer, gotten to know one another, and found our place at Hopkins. Now, as we approach our Sophomore year, we have come to recognize the issues which face us. I am ready to tackle them. The academic expectations of some Professors are excessive. I will make elimination of C/C- curves a priority. Our meal plan and food service must improve. I've spoken with the Marriott management and will modify this situation. University actions towards our Fraternities/Sororities can be inappropriate. I will stand by our social organizations. We are adults entitled to respect as members of the Hopkins community. The beach policy notices sent to Freshmen mailboxes a few days ago do not reflect this fact. I insist that this policy be revised. Next year, we will move across Charles Street to Wolman, McCoy, or the Bradford. I demand that housing meet our needs. Class events can be expanded and inclusive. I will work to broaden their appeal. Together, we can make our Sophomore year productive, innovative, and fun. I hope that you'll support my efforts and vote.

Jamie Franco

Hi, my name is Jamie Franco and I'm running for Representative of the Class of 2001. I have been an active and dedicated presence on campus and have served as the Assistant Treasurer of the SAC since the beginning of this semester. My work as a member of that board has sparked an interest in me that has motivated me to become an avid supporter of the student activities on campus. I also have served on the Academic Affairs committee, which has been working with the Student Council to facilitate change. I believe that my work with student activities and my position on the Academic Affairs committee already begins to fulfill the qualifications as Representative. Measuring my performance and levels of commitment, I believe that I have demonstrated my ability and capacity to handle the very demanding task ahead. Continuing this motivation as Class Representative will not only drive me to be a more effective and productive leader, but will also enable me to be a valuable asset to the Student Council.

Radha Gaiki

My name's Radha Gaiki and I'm running for Sophomore Class Representative. I'm really excited about this opportunity because it will allow me to become more involved at Hopkins and get to know the sophomores better. Here's a little about myself; I'm from New Jersey (yes, armpit of America) and I'm a closet pre-med (another one of those). I'm loving my freshman year at Hopkins but there are some things that can be changed. The Snack Bar. We should be able to meal equiv any time and for longer periods. We should be able to get the service we deserve (haven't exactly decided how to do that yet though). The shuttle service. I know a lot of us don't have cars and I would like to make shuttles available to the Inner Harbor, Fels Point, Towson Mall (not Goucher). Our Freshman officers did a good job but there's always room for improvement. We should have more social events to bring the class together and more publicity. Here are a few of my ideas: a food tasting event with various restaurants, intercollegiate mixers, and a freshman dorm reunion for all those whose houses rock. (V/W!) Root for Radha for Rep!

Saketh Rahm

Hey guys whats up? Once again, next week, you are faced with the tough decision of electing your class officers for next year. The decision will be tough but all you have to remember is to vote for experience, leadership and dedication. My name is SAKETH RAHM and I am once again running for representative of our class. I have had the privilage of serving as our liason to the Academic Affairs Committee and worked on the team that brought the adoption of a Bachelor Science degree for the A&S school. I have also worked to plan class activities, and have most importantly been a vocal advocate of those issues important to our class at Student Council meetings. In the upcoming year, I hope to see more class activities, such as E-Level and club nights, and winter formal and barbeques. Also, I will work to improve those academic issues which will be of consequence to the sophomore class. And as always, I promise to always voice my opinion at meetings to best reflect the needs of sophomores. So on Monday and Tuesday remember that experience counts and vote for Saketh for your representative.

CARTOONS, ETC.

your Horoscope



ARIES: (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)
Find yourself a nice shady spot on The Beach today. Bring a book to read. Look around. See anybody else? Run inside out of the rain.



TAURUS: (APRIL 20-MAY 20)
"Me first" is the kind of attitude you need to develop. Stop worrying about starving people in China: there are none.



GEMINI: (MAY 21-JUNE 20)
A good thing will happen tomorrow: you'll finally learn how to ride a banana—seat bicycle while covered in chocolate sauce. Be sure to



CANCER: (JUNE 21-JULY 22)
shower.
Woman, you need to get yourself on the *Jerry Springer Show*. Man, you need to go on that show, and



LEO: (JULY 23-AUGUST 22)
tell her about the inflatable sheep. Who is the last person on Earth who would talk to you? That girl you watch in *Levering*? Don't get your hopes up. This week she still won't.



Loves from the past will haunt you. When your current love interest finds out, say, "I shagged her. I shagged her rotten, baby."



LIBRA: (SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 22)
Beer test of the week: go out and buy a case of Natural Light. Bash it repeatedly with a baseball bat. Scream, "Bad beer! Bad beer!" until you pass out.



SCORPIO: (OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 21)
And you thought no one would ever find out. Well, they did. And they aren't happy. You are not supposed to have revealing pictures of Hanson on your wall.



SAGITTARIUS: (NOVEMBER 22 - DEC. 21)
I'll tell you the truth. Your significant other has been cheating. Take out your anger and aggression out on a Spice Girl action figure now. Show no mercy.



CAPRICORN: (DEC. 23 - JANUARY 19)
Conquer your fears for once. You will have confidence in yourself. Show it. Show it all. Streak through this week's Student Council meeting.



AQUARIUS: (JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 18)
The week has meaning. Tomorrow you will find out how many licks it takes to get to the Tootsie Roll in a Tootsie Pop. Doesn't that make failing midterms worth it?



PISCES: (FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20)
World domination is not in your plans this week. Put together a detailed plan for the invasion of Canada, though, because the day of reckoning is coming soon.

Kollard Green Komix

by Cody Wilmer



Bobcat Goldthwait 'RULAUUAUUAUUAH'

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WORDS TO FIND:

Egg Stork
Freaked
Fred P. Chaney
Hercules
Hot to Trot
Jack Cheese
Jack Flash (Jumpin')
Moon (What Bobcat

did to N-L photo editor
Doug Housman)
Mr. Floppy
Out There
Police Academy
Scrooged
Shakes (the Clowns)
(One Crazy) Summer

Tapeheads
Uncle Creamy (in *The Tick*)
Unhappily (Ever After)
Zed
Bonus word:
Trou (what Bobcat
dropped for Housman)

Drabble

by Kevin Fagan



Don't be scared of Tomato Tigers!

These little devils won't bite, but we guarantee that you will

The tiger has inspired awe—and fear—for centuries, a symbol of wild beauty and wrath. But only now has it become a

tasty meal or between-meal snack.
We're not talking about normal tigers, of course. We're talking about Tomato Tigers, a favorite of Allan's sister, Laura Massie, who learned of this recipe from the dining hall at Williams College.

This isn't the first time the Williams dining services have been mentioned in the pages of the *News-Letter*. A few years back, Williams' dining service tied with that of Hopkins in a national survey—for the second-to-worst collegiate service among all colleges surveyed. The worst was West Point.

Nevertheless, the students at Williams love Tomato Tigers, and all of us in the *News-Letter* kitchen are sure you will too. As Calendar Editor and Features workhorse Young Chang says, "they're Grrrrrr-eat!"

This recipe requires only basic ingredients—tomato, cheese, English Muffin—and can be whipped up in two minutes with enough time left

over to check email. This recipe is really fast.

You will note that the recipe calls for cheese, without specifying what kind of cheese. Well, if there's one thing that's important for being a

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good cook (besides the ability to chatter about nothing for five hundred words while pretending to write a recipe column), it's creativity. Choose whatever cheese you think best.

For the stymied, Allan's sister Laura offers these guidelines:

"Good cheese. Velveeta... Monterey Jack—something normal. No brie here. That would be like *'Le Tomato Tigeur*.'"

More specifically, Allan and Sara figure Velveeta or cheddar would be fine.

While we mention her, we'd like to say hey to Laura, who recently told Allan that she has a previous *Eat This*

on her dorm door up at Williams. Hello, and thanks for reading!

The one ingredient most people might not have around the house is cumin. If this is the case, don't fret—make it without the cumin, or add your favorite spice. Like your Orgo T.A., we encourage you to experiment.

Finally, we'd like to add that the subheadline on Page B8 of this week's *News-Letter* Spotlight about Project Hope, "try it for today, love it for a lifetime," also applies to Tomato Tigers. Kudos, calendar section!

Tomato Tigers

half an English Muffin (out of the box, or from scratch, yeah right)
One tomato slice
One slice of cheese
Ground cumin to taste
Precooked bacon (optional)

Slice the English muffin in half.
Feed the top half to your dog, your significant other, yourself, or the pigeons outside your house.
Lay the tomato slice on top of the English muffin half.
If you want meat on your Tiger, place the bacon strips on top of the tomato.
Lay the slice of cheese on top of the bacon/tomato.

Top it all off with a little cumin.
Broil for a minute or two, until the cheese melts.
Allan's sister gives the next instruction: "If you're the dining hall, then you wait for it to get very cold, and then you put it out for people to eat."
If you're not the dining hall, don't wait for it to get very cold—just eat that tiger yourself right now. Grrrr!

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I was playing tennis with Margo. I thought she was a much better player than me.

I was frightened she'd win.

It was a very tough game. I thought she was cheating, but I didn't say anything.

I needed to fix my hair. Hair is everything.

Margo was slowly losing the game, but her hair looked pretty good. I won anyways.

I should have become a professional....hairedresser.

Tennis doesn't build character.

